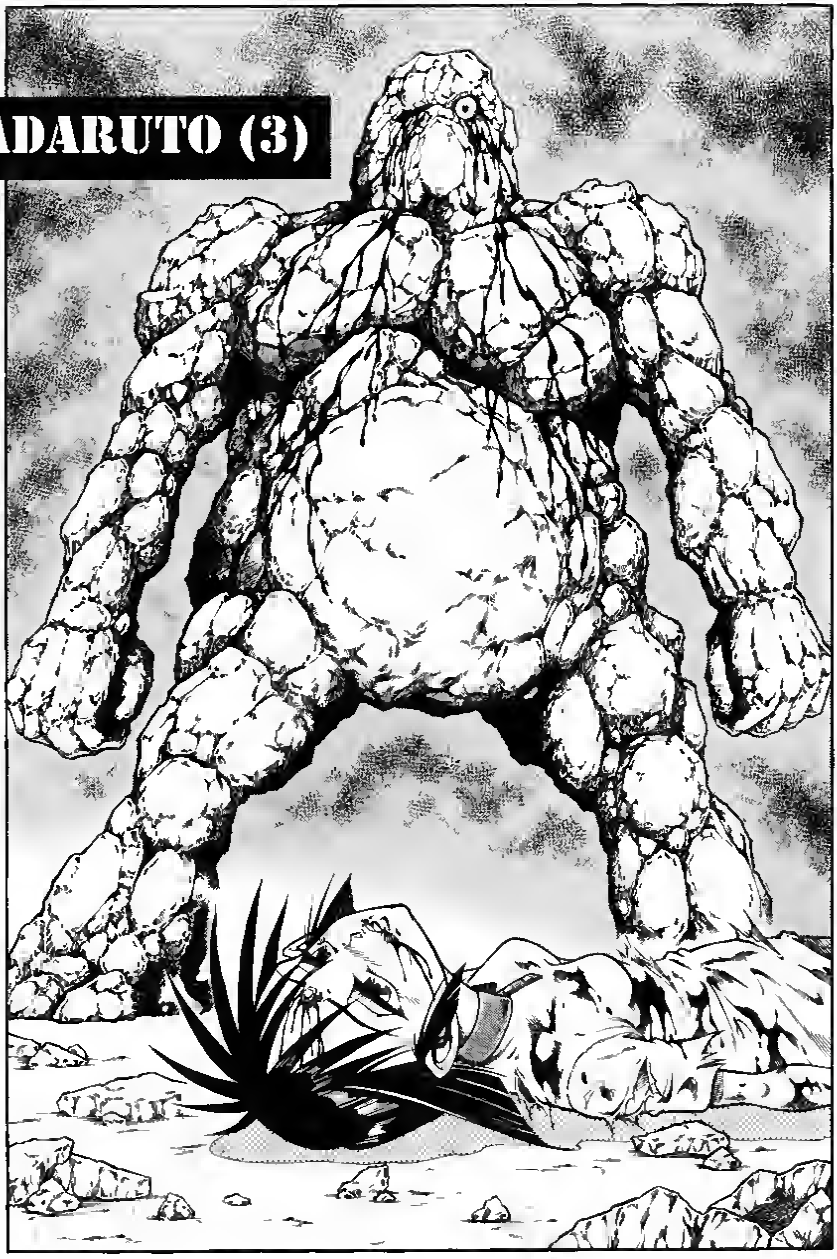
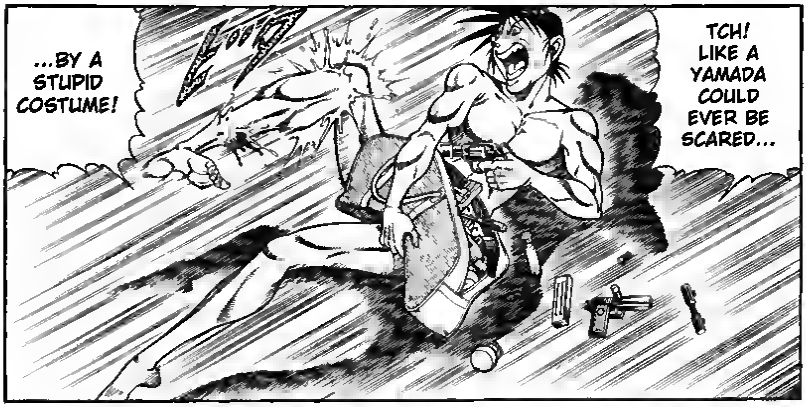
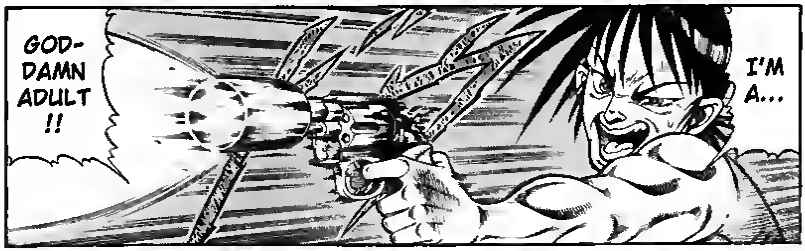
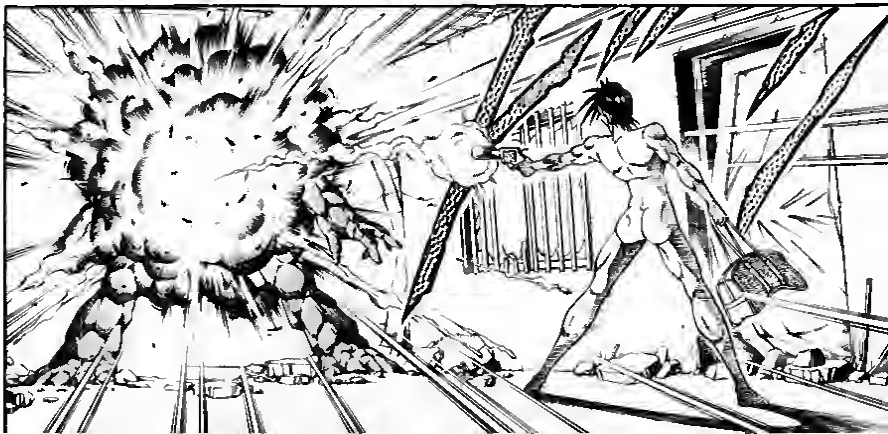
ADARUTO (3)




...BY A STUPID COSTUME!
TCH! LIKE A YAMADA COULD EVER BE SCARED...


GOD-DAMN ADULT !!
I'M A...

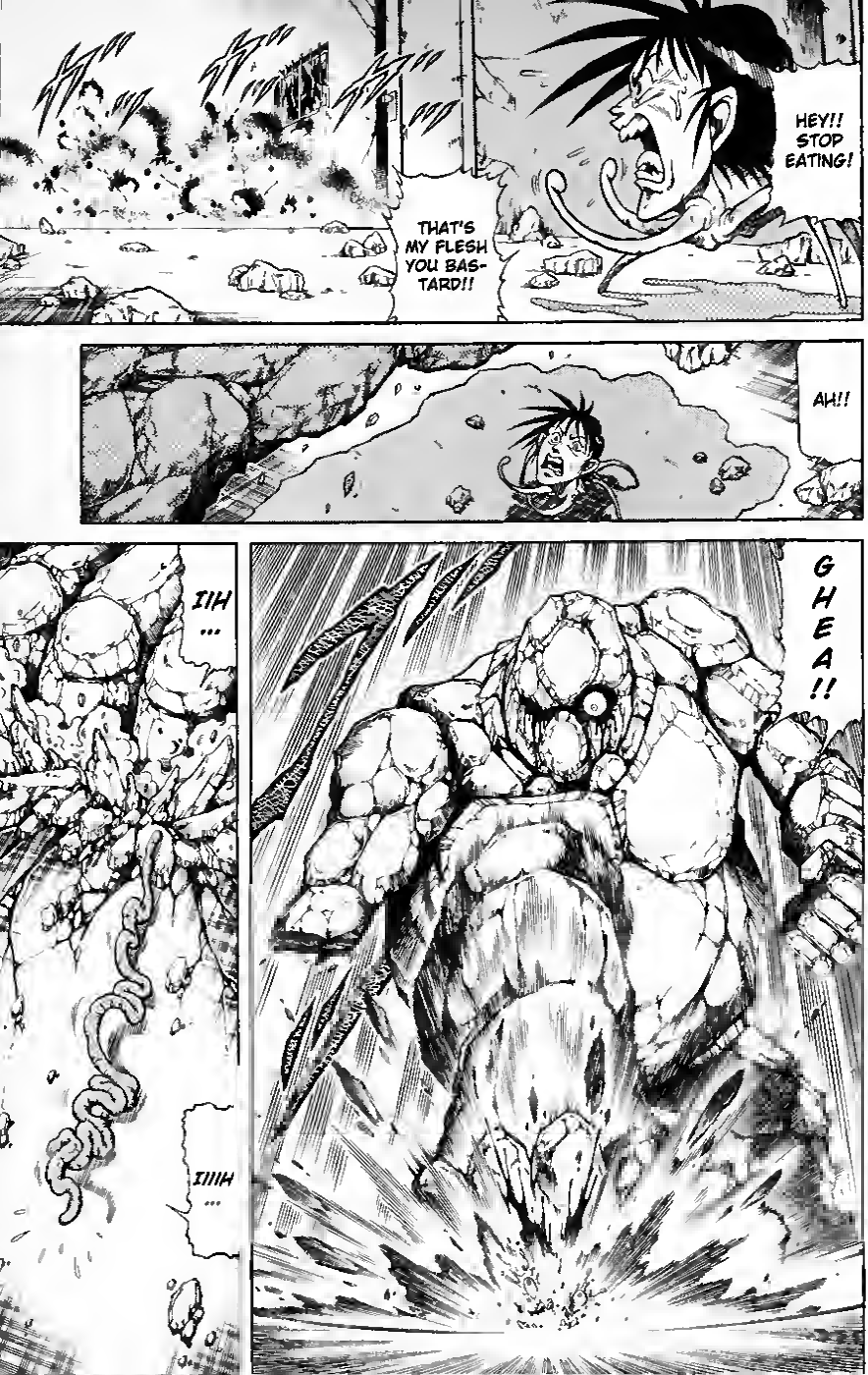


...NO USE, HUH.
SHIT... I NEED A STRONGER WEAPON...
BUT I AIN'T GOT ONE..!!
UWAA AH!!

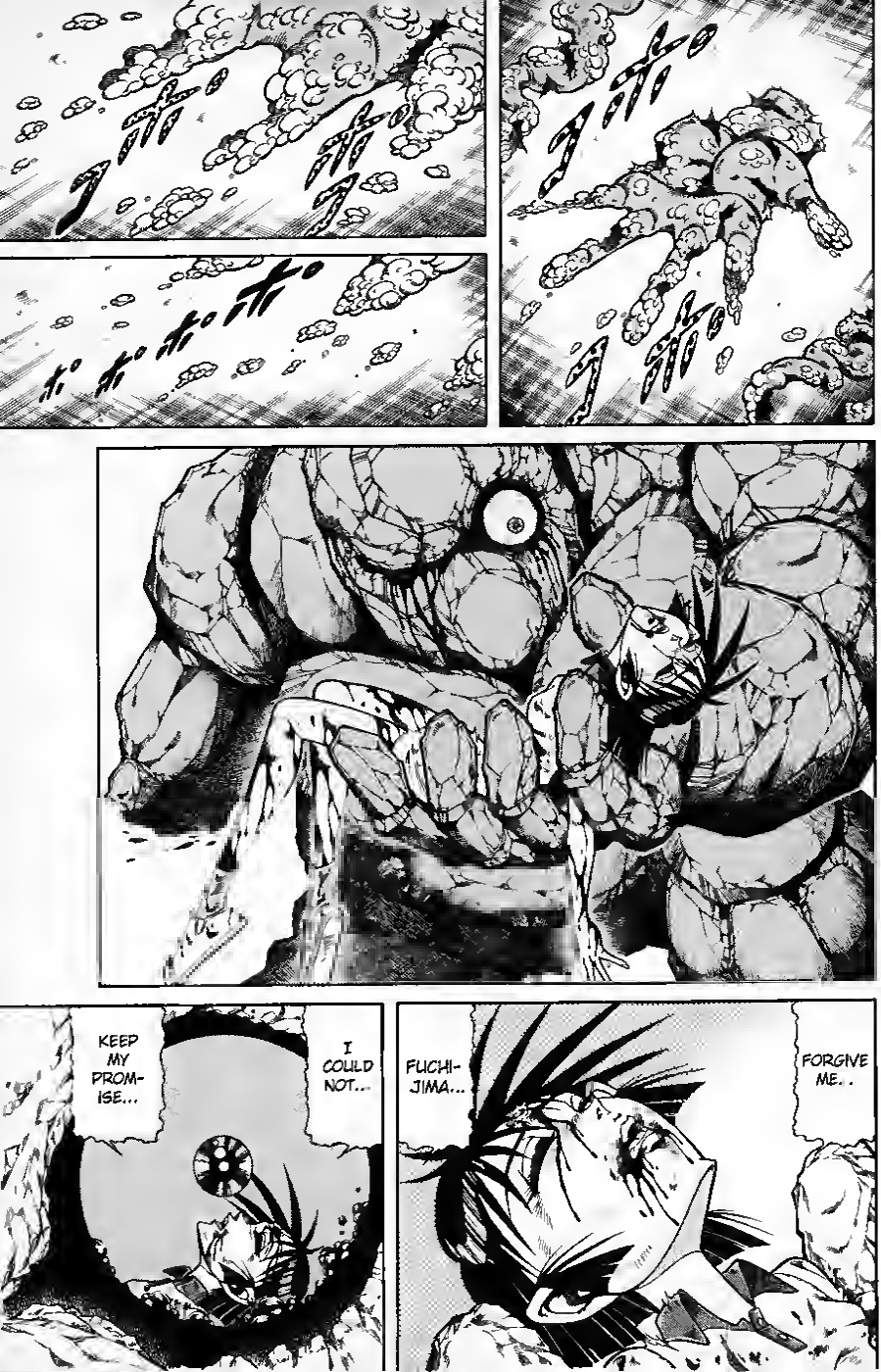
WAIT ...
BUT IT'S CLEAR ...
IT TRULY IS A TREMENDOUS POWER
..A LITTLE LONGER..
I WANT TO OBSERVE THE KID'S POWER...
HIS VALUE IS PROBABLY QUITE HIGH!
HE MUST BE AS STRONG AS THREE OR FOUR NORMAL CHAIRUDO
S.. OH SHIT.
THIS AIN'T GOOD ...
TIME TO RE-TREAT !
...TO PUT THE LAST BULLET IN HIM...
PRECISELY... THAT'S WHY I WANT TO BE THE ONE...

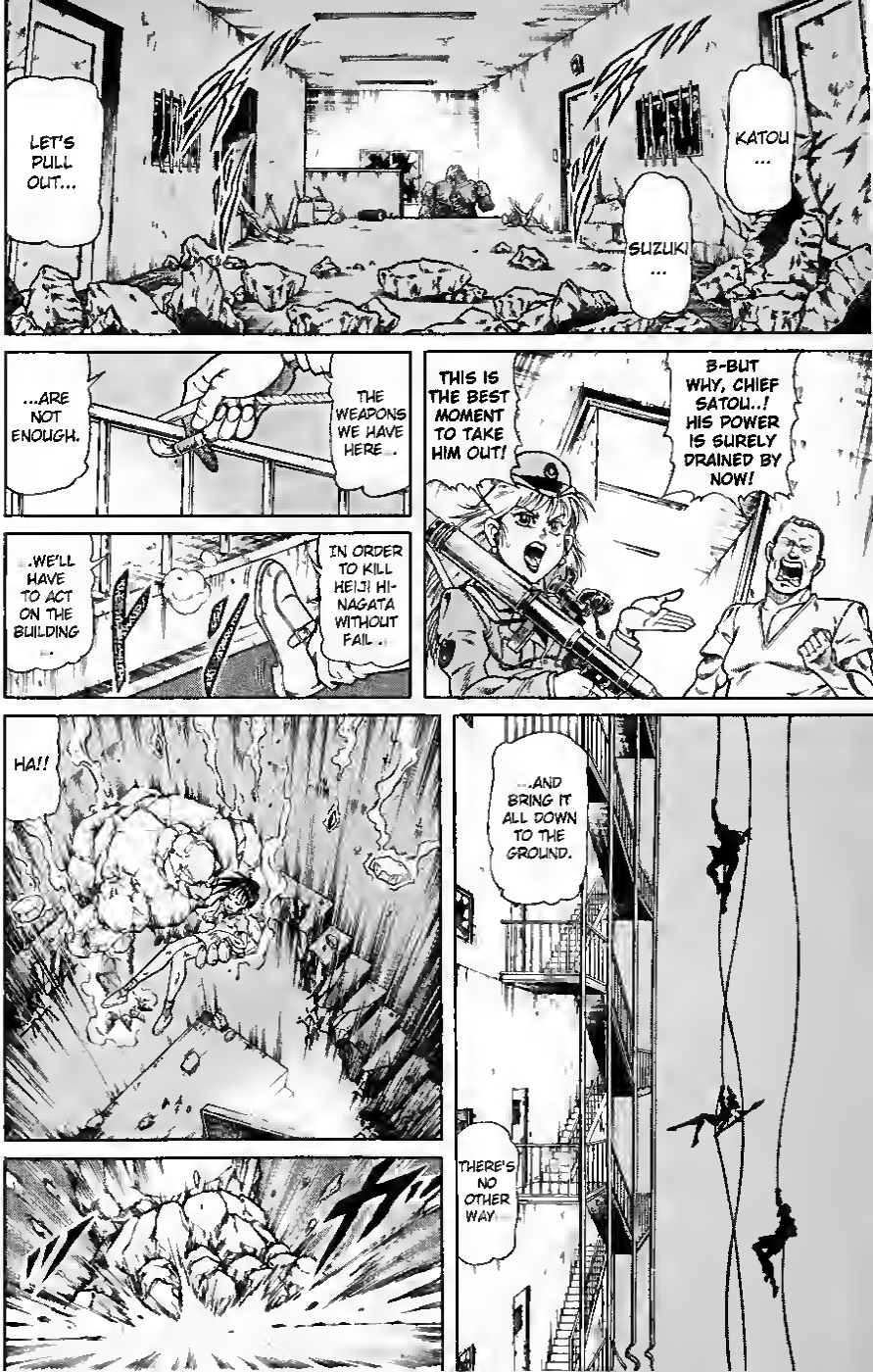
...OF THE DISGUST-ING FLESH...
I'M NOT GONNA LET A SINGLE PIECE...
GET AWAY...
...THAT KILLED FUCHI-JIMA ...

WHA..
?!
OWW!!
...HE'S AFTER MY PIECES ..?!
WAIT A SEC... DON'T TELL ME THAT...


HEY!! STOP EATING!
THAT'S MY FLESH YOU BAS-TARD!!
AH!!
GHEA!!
IIH ...
IIIIH ...

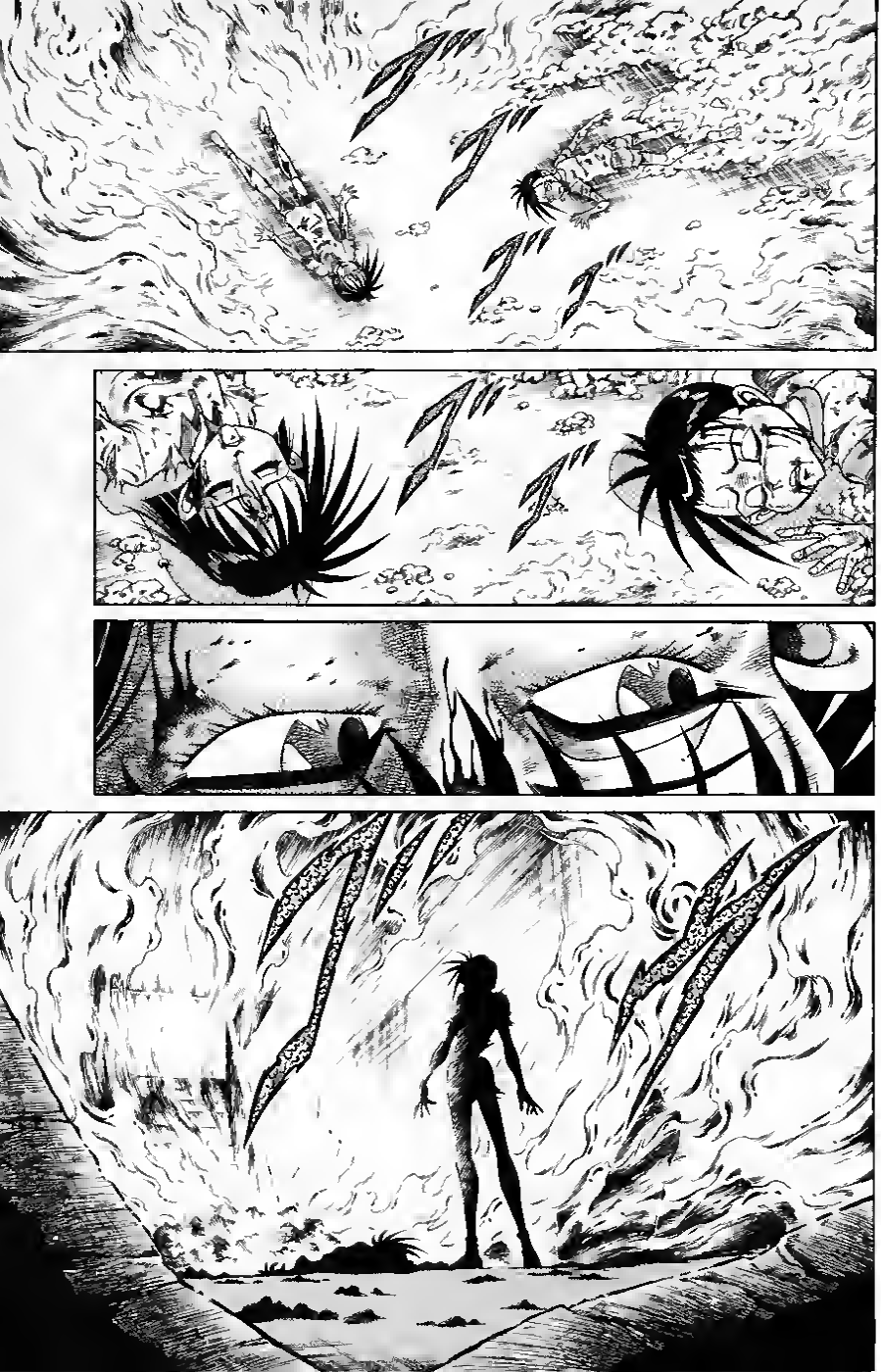
ALL I KNOW WILL BE LOST IF YOU SMASH IT...
..AND I WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO REBUILD MYSELF WITHOUT IT!!
S-STOP!
DESTROY WHAT YOU WANT BUT NOT MY BRAIN!
T-THEN THE GREAT ME, FROM THE SUPERIOR YAMADAS, WOULD...
I WOULD... I WOULD CEASE TO EXIST...
IF THAT WERE TO HAPPEN THIS MODEL'S COLLECTIVE EXPERIENCE WOULD VANISH ALONG WITH MY OWN PERSONALITY...
DIE ..


KEEP MY PROM-ISE...
I COULD NOT...
FUCHI-JIMA...
FORGIVE ME..


LET'S PULL OUT...
KATOU ...
SUZUKI ...
...ARE NOT ENOUGH.
THE WEAPONS WE HAVE HERE...
THIS IS THE BEST MOMENT TO TAKE HIM OUT!
B-BUT WHY, CHIEF SATOU..! HIS POWER IS SURELY DRAINED BY NOW!
...WE'LL HAVE TO ACT ON THE BUILDING...
IN ORDER TO KILL HEIJI HINAGATA WITHOUT FAIL...
HA!!
...AND BRING IT ALL DOWN TO THE GROUND.
THERE'S NO OTHER WAY...

I'M GONNA FUCKING KILL YOU!!
THIS IS SO MUCH LIKE THEM, GODDAMN ADARUTO!

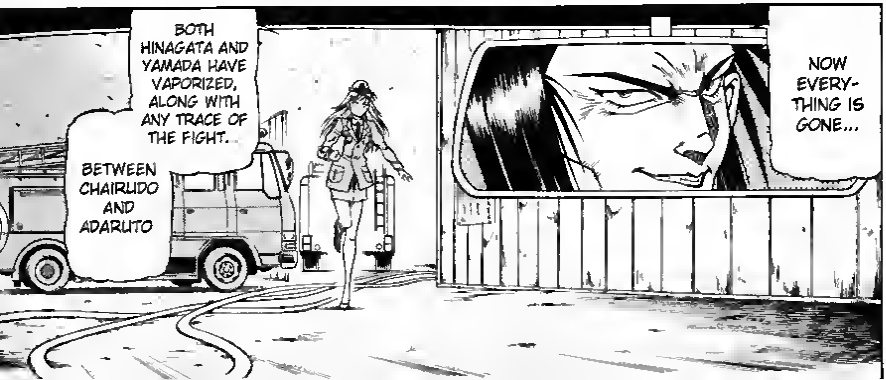
GHI!!
GHUOO...
I CAN'T... GO ON... MY BLOOD...
THIS IS THE LIMIT OF ITS... POWER ...

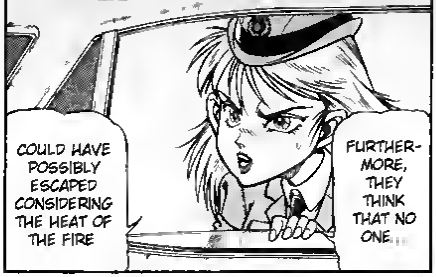


SEE? DIDN'T I TELL YOU THAT EVERY-THING...
... WOULD BE FINE?

MY POWER ...
THIS IS...

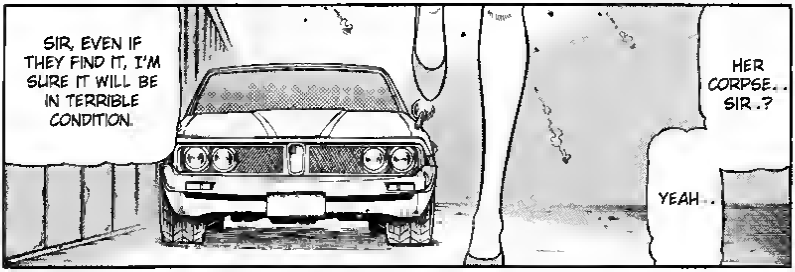
YEAH... BUT THE FIRE SPREAD EVEN FASTER...
THE FIRE DEPARTMENT ARRIVED FASTER THAN I THOUGTH THEY WOULD..


BOTH HINAGATA AND YAMADA HAVE VAPORIZED, ALONG WITH ANY TRACE OF THE FIGHT..
BETWEEN CHAIRUDO AND ADARUTO
NOW EVERY-THING IS GONE...

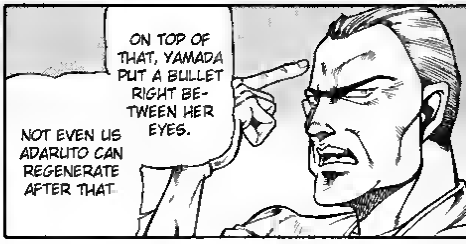

COULD HAVE POSSIBLY ESCAPED CONSIDERING THE HEAT OF THE FIRE
FURTHER-MORE, THEY THINK THAT NO ONE...

CHIEF SATOU, THEY FOUND NOTHING SO FAR...
NO SURVI-VORS NOR CORPSES...

.. THEY FIND FU-JISHIMA'S CORPSE.
VERY WELL. THEN INFORM ME WHEN..

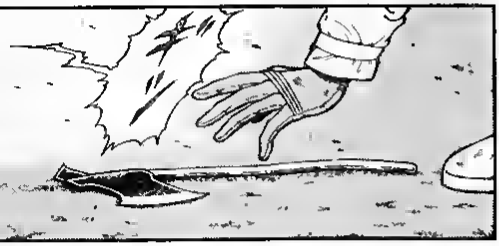

SIR, EVEN IF THEY FIND IT, I'M SURE IT WILL BE IN TERRIBLE CONDITION.
HER CORPSE.. SIR.?
YEAH..

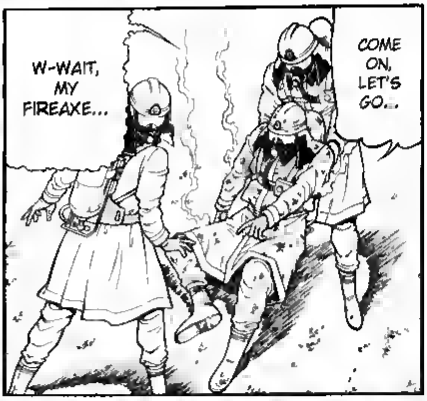
YUUKO WILL LIVE SHE'S GOING TO COME BACK TO ME.
YOU DON'T HAVE TO WORRY, KATOU. I HAVE NO DOUBT ON THE MATTER


ON TOP OF THAT, YAMADA PUT A BULLET RIGHT BE-TWEEN HER EYES.
NOT EVEN US ADARUTO CAN REGENERATE AFTER THAT.

YOU SEE, BEARING THAT POWER IS THE REASON WHY SHE WAS BORN...
AND THAT'S BECAUSE OF THE POWER SHE HAS...

I'M SURE THEY'RE ALL DEAD BY NOW!
LET'S GET OUT OF HERE!!



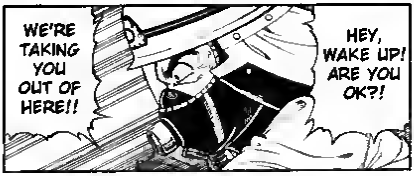

W-WAIT, MY FIREAXE...
COME ON, LET'S GO...

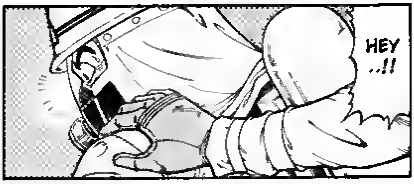
WHA.. ?!

YUUKO FUCHIJIMA (1)

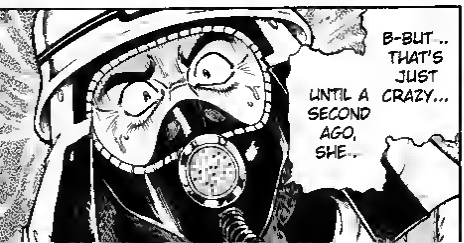
G-GUYS, HERE!!
COME NOW!!

CALM DOWN...
TAKE A BETTER LOOK AT HER. .


HEY, WAKE UP! ARE YOU OK?!
WE'RE TAKING YOU OUT OF HERE!!


HEY ..!!

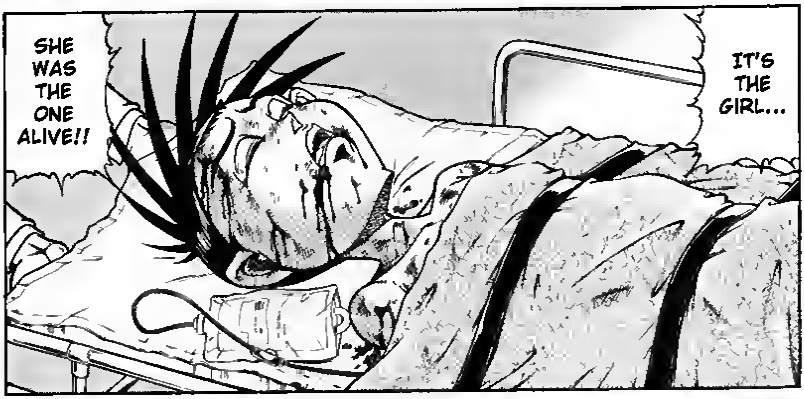
ALRIGHT, QUICK! CARRY HER BODY OUTSIDE!!


B-BUT .. THAT'S JUST CRAZY...
UNTIL A SECOND AGO, SHE..

SHE'S DEAD...
SHE'S BEEN SO FOR A WHILE...

SHE WALKED THIS WAY THROUGH THE FLAMES ON HER OWN LEGS...
SHE WAS ALIVE UNTIL JUST A MINUTE AGO I TELL YOU!!
HUH ?!
ALRIGHT, ALRIGHT. IT'S THE BLANKET, ISN'T IT...?
AND DON'T T-THINK YOU CAN GET THAT THING ANY CLOSER TO ME...
YOU WERE RIGHT...
YOU ...
THEY FOUND FUCHI-JIMA'S BODY!!
THEY FOUND IT!!
THEY ACTUALLY BROUGHT TWO OUT...
...YES, BUT..
THINGS TURNED OUT EXACTLY AS I SAID THEY WOULD...
DID YOU HEAR THAT, KATOU..?

SHUT UP!! I KNOW WHAT I SAW!!
YOU WERE RIGHT, OK? I ADMIT IT!
YOU JUST MIXED UP THE TWO OF THEM, THAT'S ALL!


SHE WAS THE ONE ALIVE!!
IT'S THE GIRL...

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THIS TIME I WON'T FAIL...
I'LL TAKE YOU OUT, HINAGATA HEIJI..!

THEN WE'LL TAKE FUCHIJIMA'S BODY BACK.
LET'S SEE WHERE THEY'RE GOING, KATOU.

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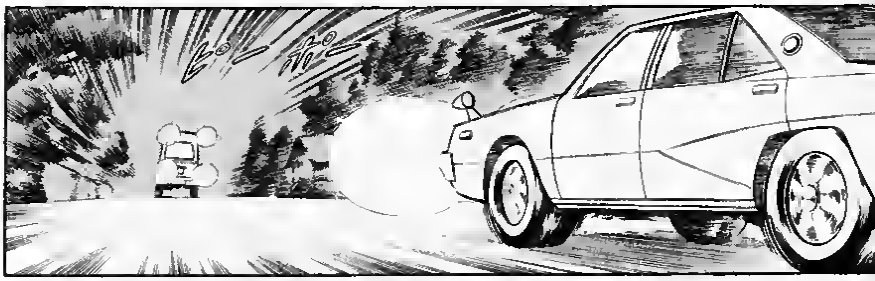
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AND WE'RE STILL GETTING FARTHER AWAY FROM THE CITY
WE RODE PAST MANY HOSPITALS ON THE WAY...
奥田摩
飯農市
200m
この先 100m

THIS IS WEIRD ..

YEAH..

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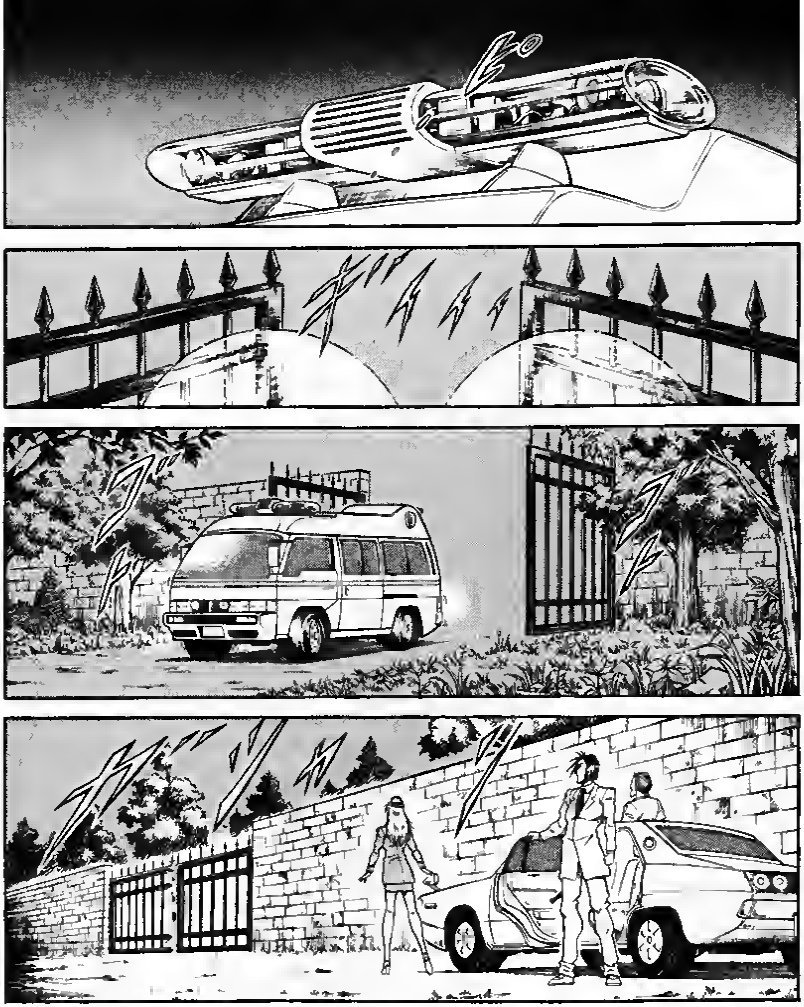
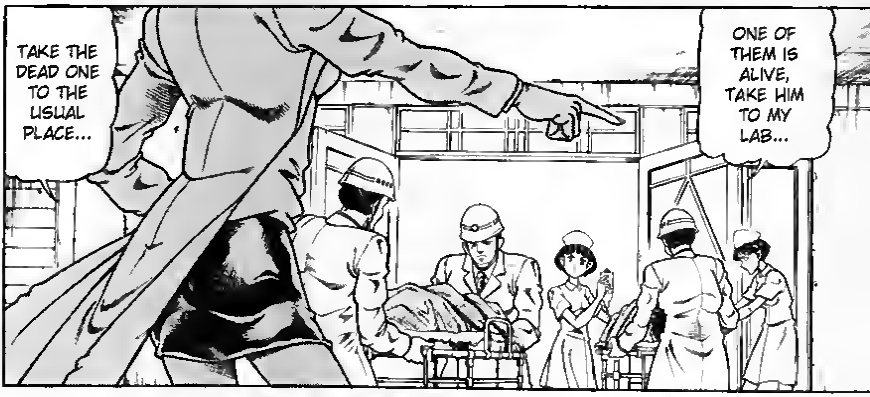
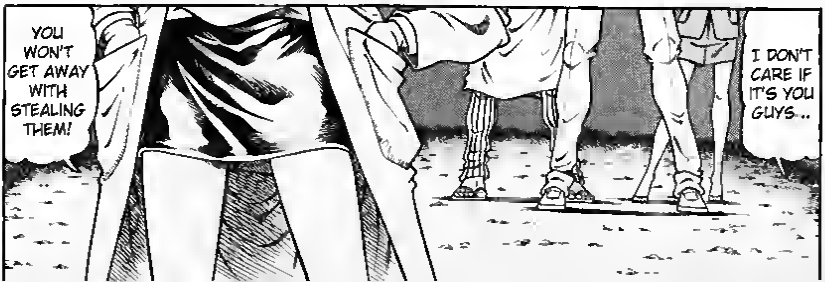

THEY MADE THE FIRST MOVE...
TCH ..!
IF I KNEW THEY WERE COMING HERE.....
N-NO WAY..
WAS THEIRS AS WELL..
THIS MEANS THAT THE AMBU-LANCE..


TAKE THE DEAD ONE TO THE USUAL PLACE...
ONE OF THEM IS ALIVE, TAKE HIM TO MY LAB...


YOU WON'T GET AWAY WITH STEALING THEM!
I DON'T CARE IF IT'S YOU GUYS..

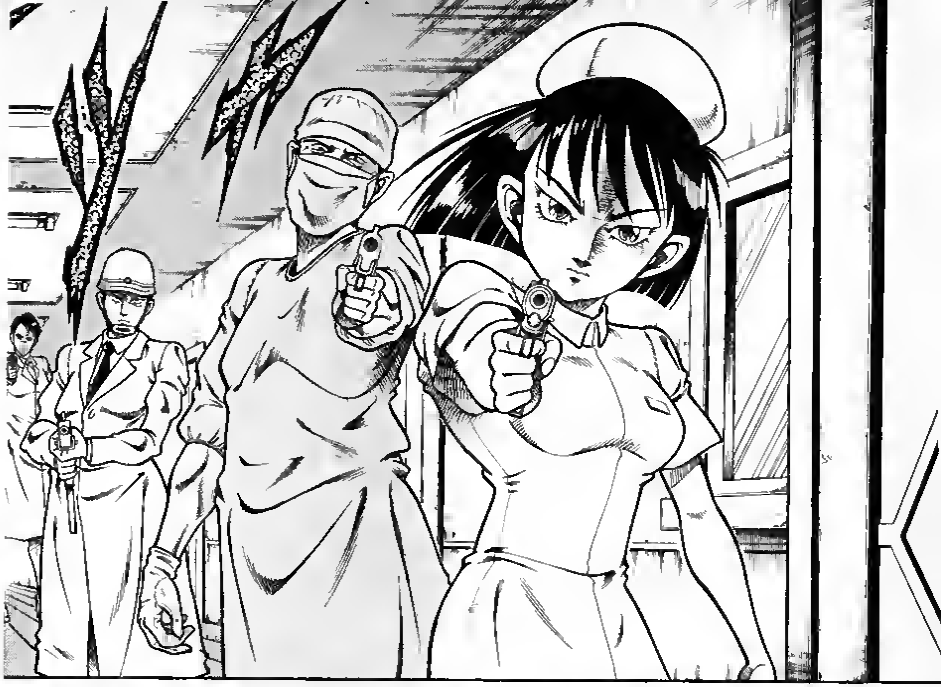
ALRIGHT, PRO-CEED...

YOU WILL GIVE THOSE CHAIRUDO UP.
I WANT THEM BOTH.

I TOLD YOU TO FUCKING STOP!!
DOC-TOR !!

YOU GUYS SHOULD DO LIKE YOU'RE EXPECTED TO AND FULFILL THE DIRECTIVES FROM THE OLD GUYS IN F1.
THE BRATS ARE OUR PREY, THEY WERE IN OUR PERIMETER.
YOU CAN'T REALLY HOPE TO BE REGARDED AS RESPONSIBLE GROWN UP..
I SAW THE MESS YOU DID THERE, YOU EVEN LOST AN IMPORTANT SUBORDINATE. YOU DIDN'T MANAGE TO CAPTURE A SINGLE CHAIRUDO EITHER...
IS A WORK MEANT FOR GROWN UPS, DON'T YOU AGREE, DOCTOR ?
WHAT YOU SEE..
A WORK FOR GROWN UPS... HUH?!
WHAT I SEE...
ROOKIE SATOU...
IT APPEARS TO ME THAT YOU ARE IN DIRE NEED OF BEING RE-EDUCATED...
YOU DAMN BITCH !!
YOU ..!
I DON'T GIVE A FUCK, USE ALL YOU'VE GOT! WE'RE GONNA LEAVE THIS PLACE WITH THOSE TWO!!
KATOU! SUZUKI !!

SATOU ...
YOU REALLY NEVER CHANGE ...
YEAH... BUT DON'T FORGET I'M NOW PART OF THE ELITE ANYWAY.
THAT'S WHY I'VE BEEN PROMOTED WITH INCREDIBLE SPEED AND I'VE EVEN BEEN ASSIGNED TASKS FROM THE BOSS OF THAT DISTRICT.
IT'S ALL IN YOUR CURRICULUM, YOU'VE BEEN AN EXCEEDINGLY PRAISEWORTHY STUDENT, BUT...
THE ONLY THING YOU HAVEN'T FIXED YET IS THAT YOUTH VIOLENCE OF YOURS.
BUT IT DOESN'T MATTER, NOT THE MANY THINGS YOU MIGHT LEARN...
NOR HOW GOOD YOU GET AT THEM. YOU ARE FOREVER TIED TO YOUR INNER GROWTH
THAT'S THE VERY LIMIT OF AN ADARLITO'S EVOLUTION.
YOU ALL THINK YOU'VE BEEN EXPANDING YOUR TERRITORY BUT IT'S NOTHING OF THE SORT...
IN THE NEAR FUTURE YOU'LL SURELY FACE COMPLETE EXTINTION.
C-CAPTAIN SATOU!



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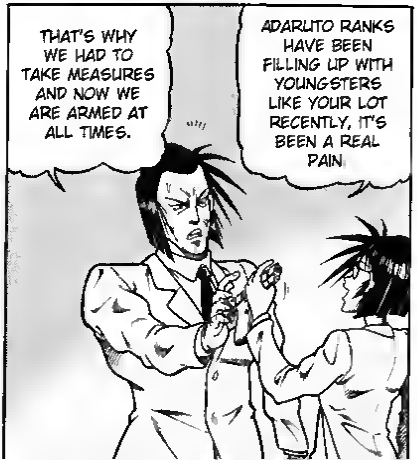
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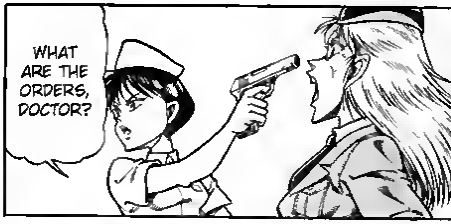
THAT'S WHY WE HAD TO TAKE MEASURES AND NOW WE ARE ARMED AT ALL TIMES.


WHAT ARE THE ORDERS, DOCTOR?

SHOULD WE RE-EDUCATE THEM.
DESTROY THEM...

EVEN JUST YUUKO, THEN..!
WHEN DO YOU PLAN ON GIVING THEM BACK?

LET US POST-PONE THE MATTER AND TALK ABOUT THOSE KIDS ANOTHER DAY.
NOW, BE A GOOD BOY AND GO HOME WITHOUT MAKING A SCENE, SATOU...

WHEN ?!
DOC-TOR !!

IS AN IMPOR-TANT SIGN OF ADULT-HOOD.
EVEN BEING ABLE TO WAIT...

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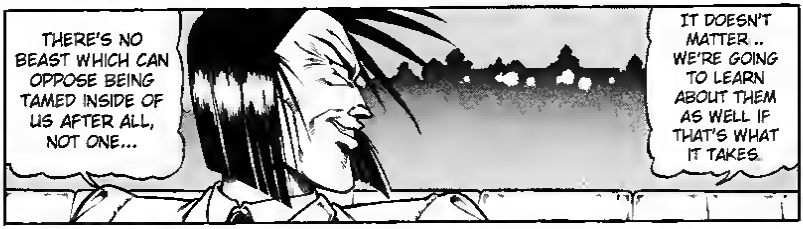
LET'S MEET AGAIN ONCE YOU'RE ABLE TO DO THAT, SATOU...
FIRST YOU'LL HAVE TO LEARN TO RESTRAIN YOURSELF A LITTLE MORE TO MATCH OTHER PEOPLE'S PACE...

DOCTOR... FUCHI-JIMA...
V-VERY... WELL...

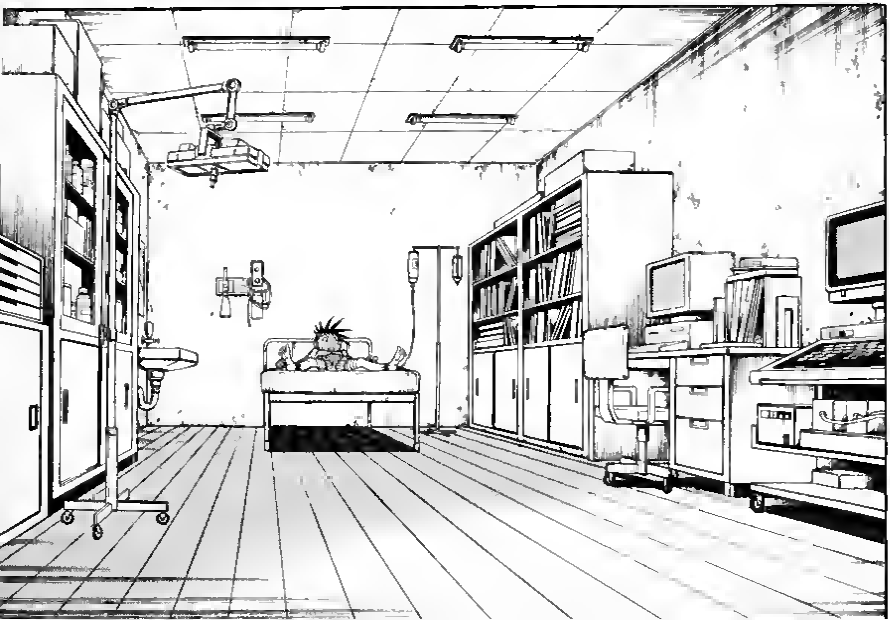
THE ONES WHO MAKE HER ANGRY SHOULD CONSIDER THEM-SELVES LUCKY TO GET AWAY WITH JUST A DEMOTION.
THAT WAS TOO MUCH OF AN OPPO-NENT. .

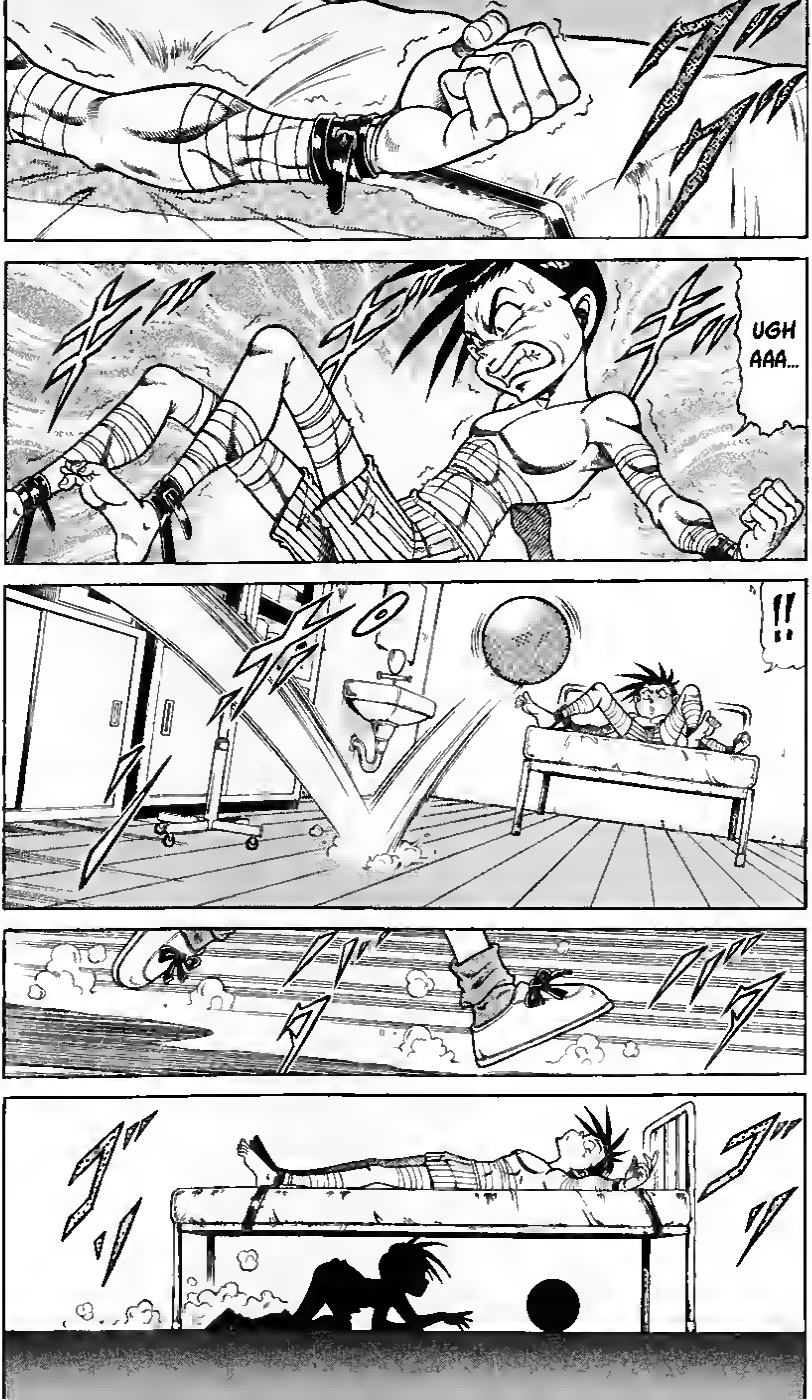
SHE KNOWS WAY TOO MUCH ABOUT IT...
IF THAT WASN'T ENOUGH, SHE EVEN HAS KNOWLEDGE OF US ADARLIDO'S WEAKNESS .

TSK, THEY'RE ...
MERE HUMANS!

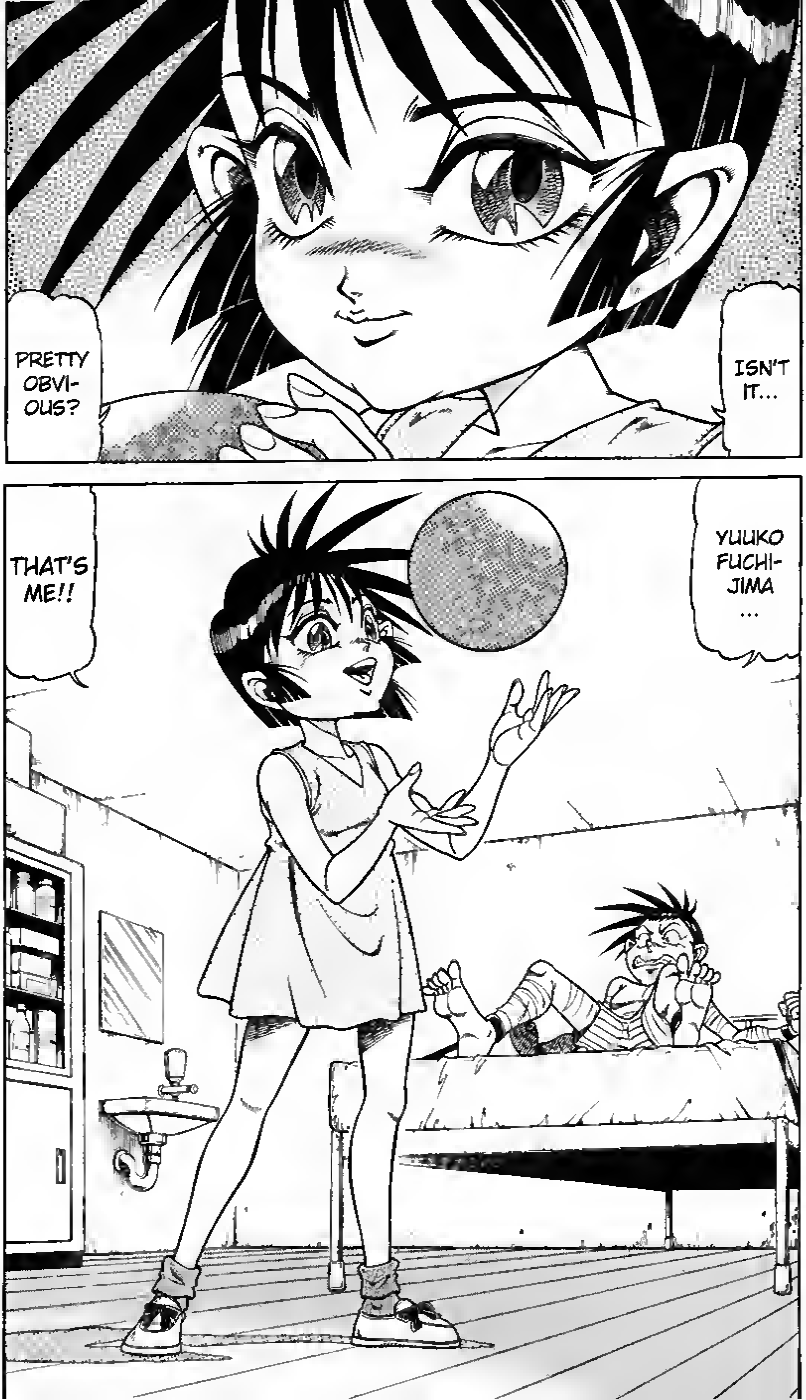

IT DOESN'T MATTER .. WE'RE GOING TO LEARN ABOUT THEM AS WELL IF THAT'S WHAT IT TAKES.
THERE'S NO BEAST WHICH CAN OPPOSE BEING TAMED INSIDE OF US AFTER ALL, NOT ONE...

..HUH?

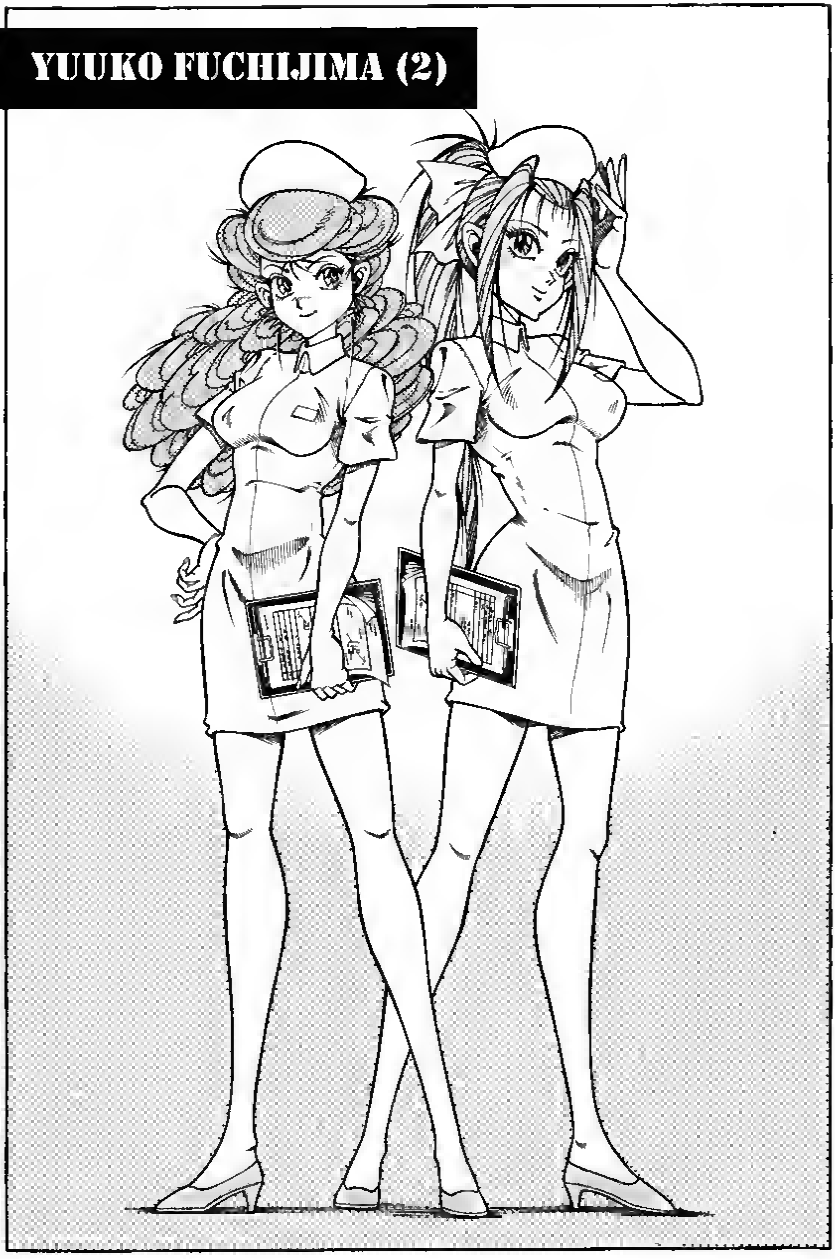



UGH
AAA...
!!

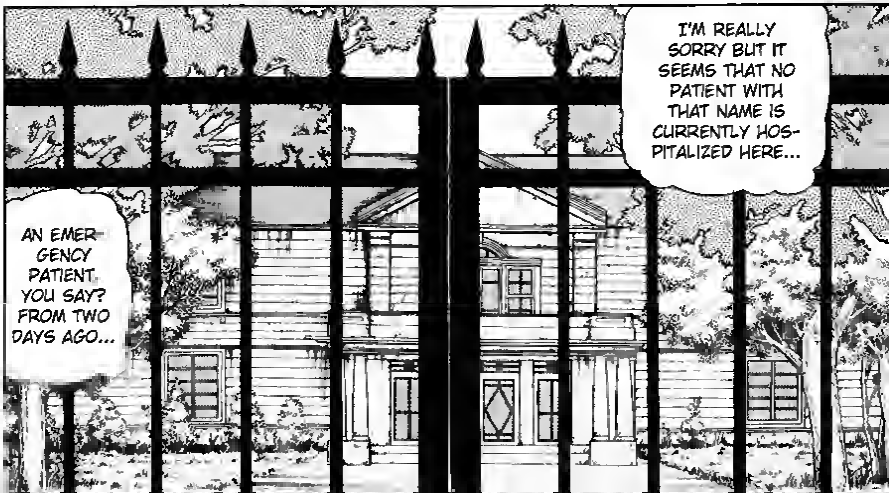
BUT WHY AM I TIED TO THE BED?
YEAH, I CAN SEE THAT FOR MYSELF...
WHAT IS THIS PLACE?
H-HEY, YOU..
IT'S THE HOSPI-TAL...
ISN'T IT OBVI-OUS?
I'M JUST A LITTLE KID, YOU KNOW...
DUNNO ...
HER NAME IS YUUKO FUCHIJIMA AND...
T-THEN... DO YOU KNOW KNOW IF A GIRL HAS BEEN TRANSPORTED HERE WITH ME?
W-WHAT THE HELL..
THIS IS...
ARE YOU...
.... STUPID OR SOME-THING?!


PRETTY OBVI-OUS?
ISN'T IT...
THAT'S ME!!
YUUKO FUCHI-JIMA ...

YUUKO FUCHIJIMA (2)



FUCHIJIMA HOSPITAL, HOW MAY I HELP YOU?
MR HEIJI HINAGATA?
JUST A MOMENT PLEASE...


I'M REALLY SORRY BUT IT SEEMS THAT NO PATIENT WITH THAT NAME IS CURRENTLY HOSPITALIZED HERE...
AN EMERGENCY PATIENT, YOU SAY? FROM TWO DAYS AGO...

EVERY SINGLE PERSON WHO GETS ADMITTED HAS TO GO THROUGH THE SYSTEM WITH THE SOLE EXCEPTION OF OUTPATIENTS.
NO MA'AM, THAT IS UNLIKELY. WE USE A FLAWLESS SYSTEM TO REGISTER THE NAME OF OUR PATIENTS.

I'M REALLY SORRY BUT ASKING AGAIN CAN'T POSSIBLY CHANGE THE SITUATION...
THERE IS NO PATIENT CALLED HINAGATA HERE AT THE MOMENT, IT'S A FACT...

CLACK !!
HINAGA ...
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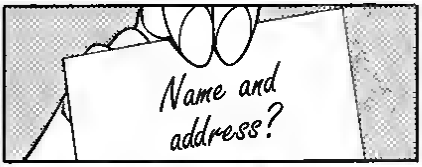

Name and address?

IF YOU'D BE SO KIND TO REPEAT THE CONTACT INFORMATION...
ALRIGHT, VERY WELL. I WILL PERFORM ANOTHER CHECK ON YOUR DATA

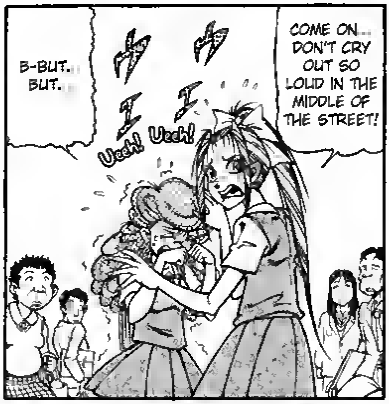
I THINK THEY WERE FRIENDS OF HIS.
THAT'S A PITY...
THEY HUNG UP.

YOU CAN'T SAY THEY LIVED HUNDREDS OF YEARS FOR NOTHING...
SO CHAIRUDO EVEN LOCATED THIS HOSPITAL...
THERE HAVE BEEN NO SUSPICIOUS MOVEMENTS SO FAR. .
ON ANOTHER NOTE, DO WE HAVE ANY UPDATES ON SATOU ?
TELL THEM TO KEEP AN EYE OPEN FOR KIDS...
SPREAD THE NEWS TO ALL DIVISIONS.
I'LL DO IT IMMEDIATELY. .
OK, DOCTOR FUCHIJIMA.
HE'S FAR MORE DANGEROUS THREAT TO US...
DO NOT LIFT THE SURVEILLANCE FOR A MINUTE. THAT GUY IS EVEN WORSE THAN A CHAIRUDO...

YOU IDIOT! WHAT WERE YOU THINKING, LETTING THEM KNOW WHO WE ARE?!
WHY THE HECK DID YOU CUT IT OFF?!
MAYBE WE MADE SOME MISTAKE IN THE INVESTIGATION..
BUT... YOU CAN'T KNOW THAT...
WE JUST NEEDED TO FIGURE OUT WHETHER THEY WERE TRYING TO CONCEAL IT!
WE ALREADY KNOW FOR A FACT THAT HEIJI'S IN THAT HOSPITAL...
THIS IS ADARUTO'S WORK.
...NO CHANCE.
.....
THOSE GUYS ARE OUR NATURAL ENEMY.
WE TALKED ABOUT THEM YESTERDAY POMB..
SAY, AYAME... ARE THESE ADARUTO PEOPLE REALLY THAT SCARY?
TO THEM, THERE'S NO GREATER PLEASURE THAN HUNTING CHAIRUDO!
THEY GANG UP AND TORTURE US TO DEATH..
ONCE THEY FIND ONE OF US.. THEY'RE RELENTLESS, NEVER CEASING THE PURSUIT

Uhccccch!!

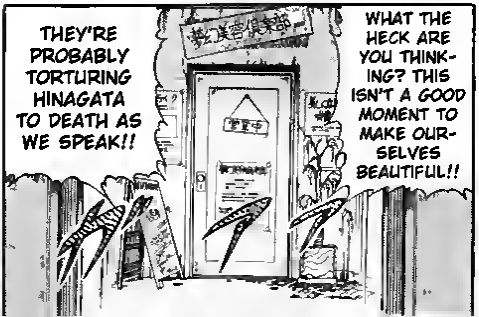
IF THOSE GUYS ALREADY HAVE HIM...
H-HINAGATA'S A GONER FOR SURE...


COME ON... DON'T CRY OUT SO LOUD IN THE MIDDLE OF THE STREET!
B-BUT.. BUT..
Uuuh! Uuuh!

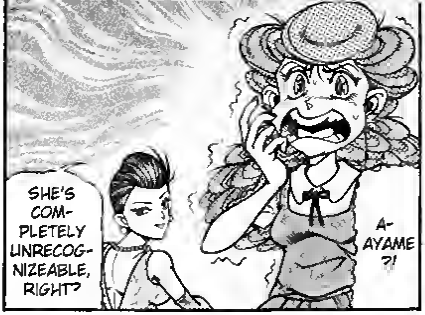
THAT'S WHY WE CAN'T WASTE TIME CRYING...
JUST COME WITH ME, OK..?

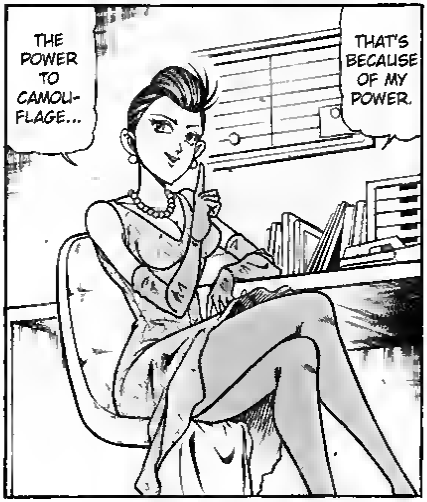
W-WHAT IS THIS PLACE ..?!
A BEAUTY SALON ..

夢幻美容倶楽部
麻雀
クレジット
学生ローン

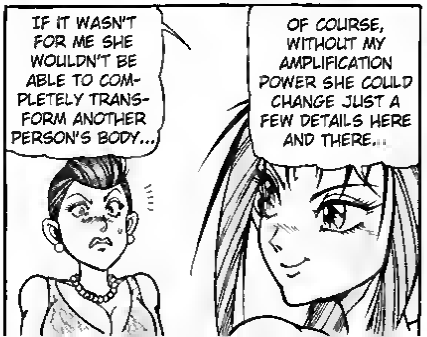

WHAT THE HECK ARE YOU THINKING? THIS ISN'T A GOOD MOMENT TO MAKE OURSELVES BEAUTIFUL!!
THEY'RE PROBABLY TORTURING HINAGATA TO DEATH AS WE SPEAK!!

.....
JUST FOR HOW LONG DO YOU WANNA MAKE ME WAIT?!
DAMN !!
DONE, YOU SAY...
UHM ...
I'M DONE...
WHERE ARE YOU?
AYAME ...
I'M RIGHT HERE, POMB...


SHE'S COMPLETELY UNRECOGNIZEABLE, RIGHT?
A-AYAME?!

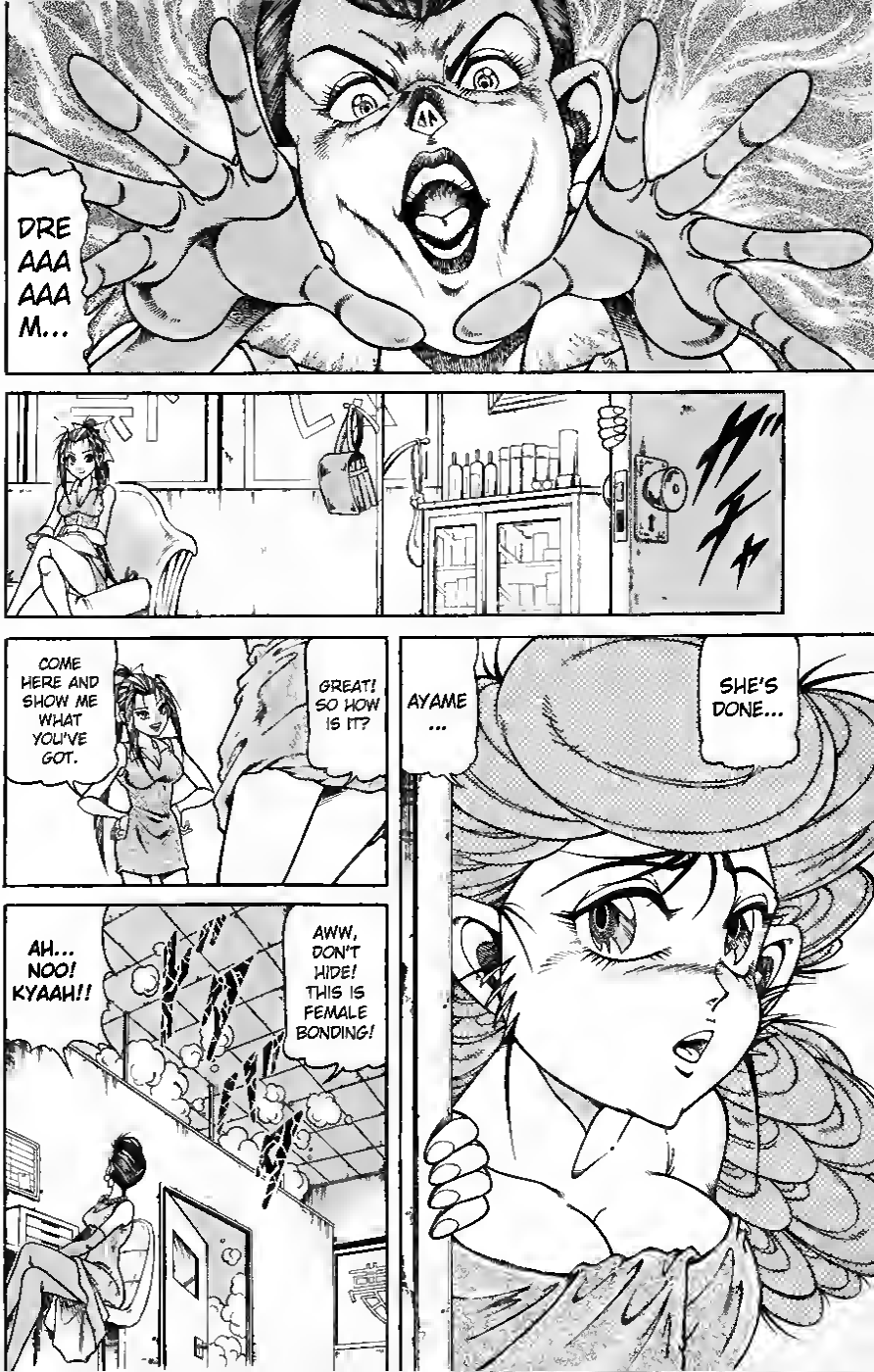

THE POWER TO CAMOUFLAGE...
THAT'S BECAUSE OF MY POWER.

YEAH.. SHE'S ACTUALLY A CHAIRUDO LIKE US
SO THIS SEXY WOMAN'S BODY IS .?


IF IT WASN'T FOR ME SHE WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO COMPLETELY TRANSFORM ANOTHER PERSON'S BODY...
OF COURSE, WITHOUT MY AMPLIFICATION POWER SHE COULD CHANGE JUST A FEW DETAILS HERE AND THERE..

YOU LIKE?!
CHECK MY SEXY CURVES!!

THAT'S PRECISELY WHY I USE IT!
I'M SO CONFIDENT IN IT THAT I EVEN OPENED THIS WONDERFUL PLACE FOR CHAIRUDOS..!!
MY POWER IS ALREADY PERFECT!
SHUT UP, AYAME !!
BUT I'VE HEARD RUMORS ABOUT YOUR POWERS GETTING WEAKER LATELY... IS IT TRUE?
ISN'T THAT WHY YOU WANTED TO MEET ME?
TAKE OFF YOUR CLOTHES AND LIE DOWN ON THE DAMN BED!!
ALRIGHT, YOUR FRIEND IS NEXT!!
IT SEEMS LIKE A REALLY STRESSFUL TASK, YUMEKO...
FOR EXAMPLE, YOU'RE HIDING YOUR REAL BODY NOW, BUT...
UUU GH..!
W-WAIT A S-SECOND, AYAME...
ALRIGHT POM, I'LL WAIT OUTSIDE.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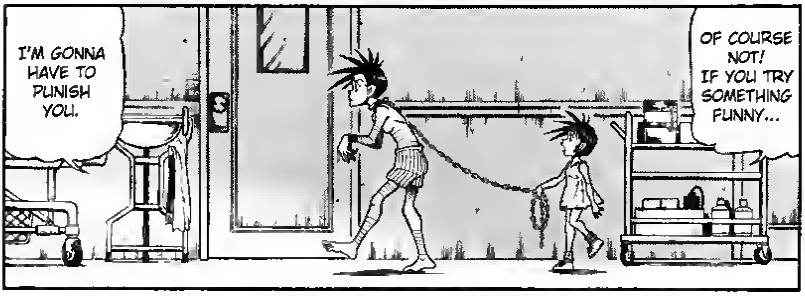
M...
AYAME
...
SHE'S
DONE...
COME
HERE AND
SHOW ME
WHAT
YOU'VE
GOT.
GREAT!
SO HOW
IS IT?
AWW,
DON'T
HIDE!
THIS IS
FEMALE
BONDING!
AH...
NOO!
KYAAH!!

HOLY... YOU'RE ALMOST AS BEAUTIFUL AS ME...
IF THE TWO OF US WERE TO WALK THE STREETS TOGETHER, WE'D BE IN SERIOUS DANGER...
LOOK AT YOURSELF IN THE MIRROR, POMB...
THA- THAT GOOD.. ?!
HE HE HE...
HUH.. ?!
UFF...

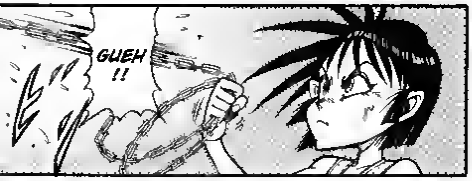
AHA HA!!
I HAVEN'T CHANGED A BIT.
BASICALLY, THE ACTUAL CONTENT NEVER REALLY CHANGES AT ALL.
DIDN'T YOU HEAR WHAT WE SAID? THIS IS JUST A CAMOU-FLAGE! WHEN THE MIRROR REFLECTS THE FABRICATED IMAGE IT WILL SHOW THE ORIGINAL ONE.
I DON'T GET IT.
USE THE MIRROR, MOVE TO THE RIGHT A BIT.
TRY CHECKING HOW SHE REALLY LOOKS...
I'M REALLY BUSY, YOU KNOW...
NOW IF YOU'RE DONE HERE, JUST GET OUT!!
LONG STORY SHORT ...
STAY AWAY FROM MIRRORS..
PFFT...

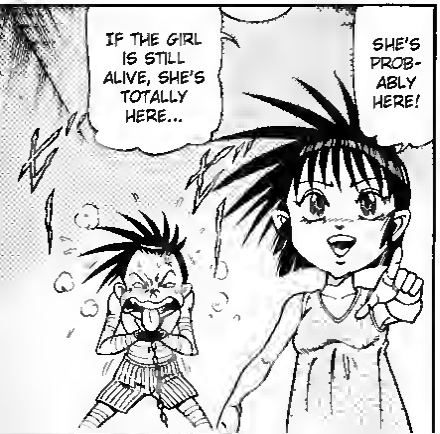
RUN AWAY..?!
SO YOU WON'T LET ME...

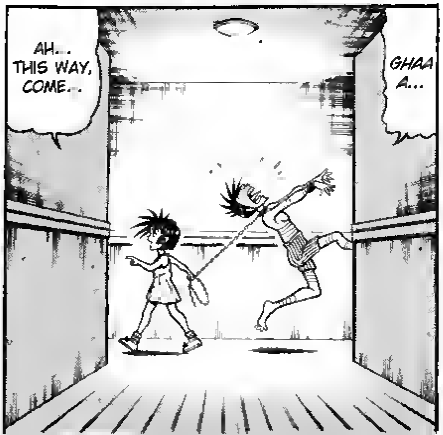

I'M GONNA HAVE TO PUNISH YOU.
OF COURSE NOT! IF YOU TRY SOMETHING FUNNY...

SHE'S NOT A RUNT LIKE YOU...
YEAH, BUT...

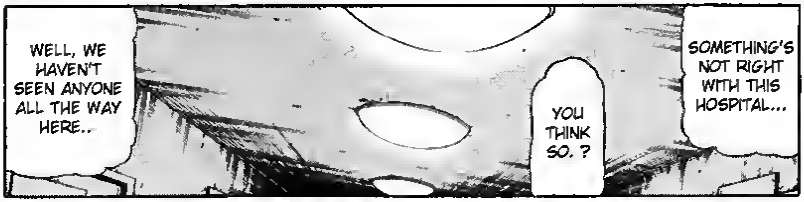
YOU SAID HER NAME AND FACE ARE JUUUUIST LIKE MINE, RIGHT?
BUT, YOU KNOW.. I'M REALLY INTERESTED IN THIS YUUKO FUCHIJIMA GIRL YOU TALK ABOUT.

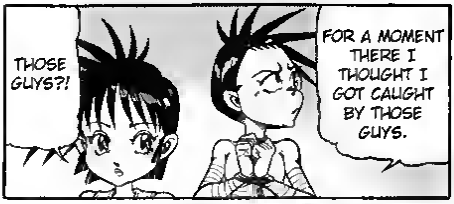

GUEH !!

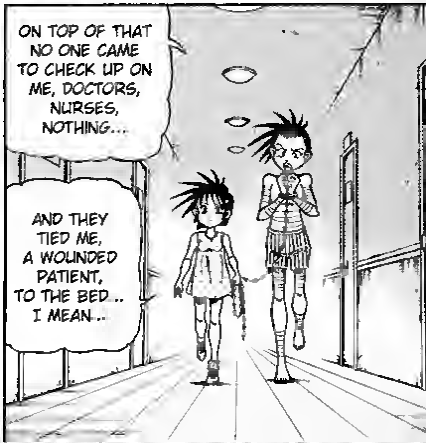

IF THE GIRL IS STILL ALIVE, SHE'S TOTALLY HERE...
SHE'S PROB-ABLY HERE!

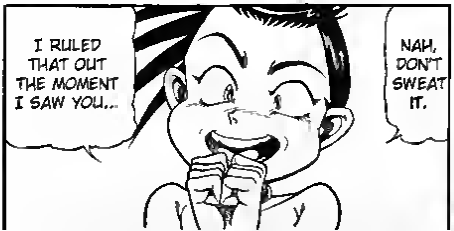

AH... THIS WAY, COME...
GHAA A...

PEDIATRIC WARD


SOMETHING'S NOT RIGHT WITH THIS HOSPITAL...
YOU THINK SO. ?
WELL, WE HAVEN'T SEEN ANYONE ALL THE WAY HERE..

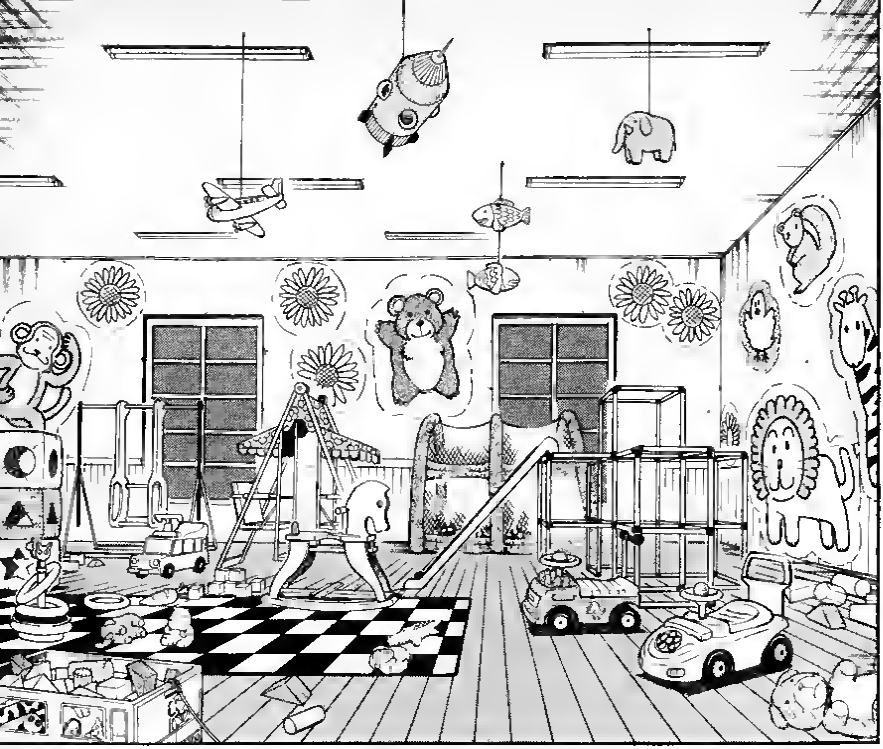

FOR A MOMENT THERE I THOUGHT I GOT CAUGHT BY THOSE GUYS.
THOSE GUYS?!

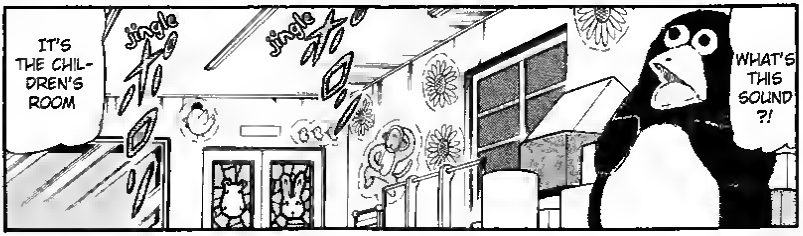

ON TOP OF THAT NO ONE CAME TO CHECK UP ON ME, DOCTORS, NURSES, NOTHING...
AND THEY TIED ME, A WOUNDED PATIENT, TO THE BED.. I MEAN..

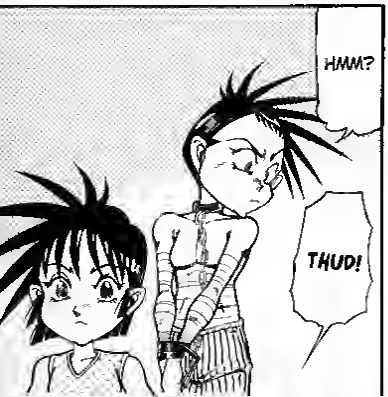

NAH, DON'T SWEAT IT.
I RULED THAT OUT THE MOMENT I SAW YOU..

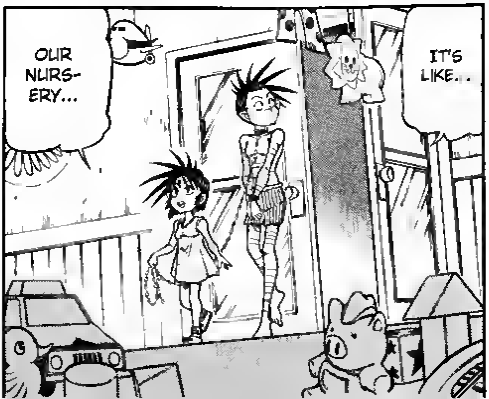
I MEAN, THOSE FUCKERS WOULD NEVER LEAVE KIDS FREE TO WALK AROUND.
AND NOW I SEE THERE'S A PEDIATRIC WARD TOO.
THIS IS A HOSPITAL FOR HUMANS, I'M SURE OF IT.
THIS IS TOO DAMN QUIET, REALLY.
BUT, UH...
...IT'S NOT STUFF I WANNA HEAR FROM A BRAT!
SHUT UP!!
HEY... WHO'S THAT FUCHIJIMA GIRL TO YOU?
IS SHE JUST A FRIEND...? OR MORE LIKE A GIRL-FRIEND?
HAVE YOU DONE IT ALREADY?
SHE CAN'T BE IN BOTH PLACES...
LEMME THINK... IF SHE'S ALREADY A CORPSE AND, LIKE, ALL DEAD..

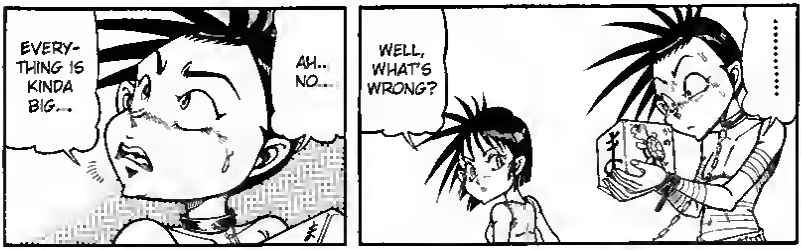
FUCHI-JIMA'S NOT DEAD!!
I'M SURE OF IT!!
THE MORGUE IS THE OTHER WAY, SO...
WHICH ONE DO YOU WANNA CHECK FIRST?
SHE TOLD ME SHE HAD THIS REALLY COOL POWER, AND..
I'LL BE FINE NO MATTER HOW MUCH THEY HURT ME, SHE SAID...
SHE COULD BE THERE..
THEN FOLLOW ME..
YOU CAN START LIKING ME IF YOU WANT...
BUT IN CASE SHE'S NOT, I'M A YUUKO FUCHIJIMA TOO...
PLAYROOM
WHO'D EVER LIKE A HUMAN BRAT LIKE Y...
DON'T MAKE FUN OF ME!!




IT'S THE CHIL-DREN'S ROOM
jingle
jingle
WHAT'S THIS SOUND ?!


HMM?
THUD!


OUR NURS-ERY...
IT'S LIKE...


EVERY-
THING IS
KINDA
BIG...
AH..
NO...
WELL,
WHAT'S
WRONG?
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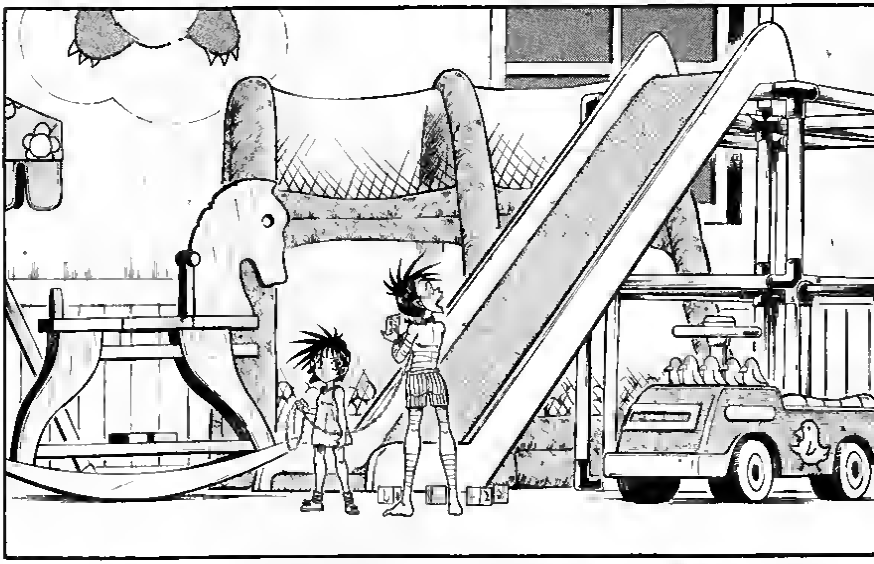
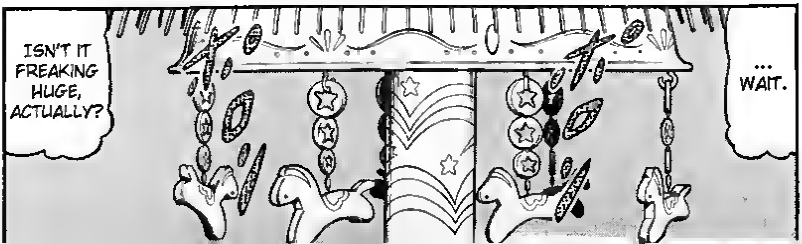
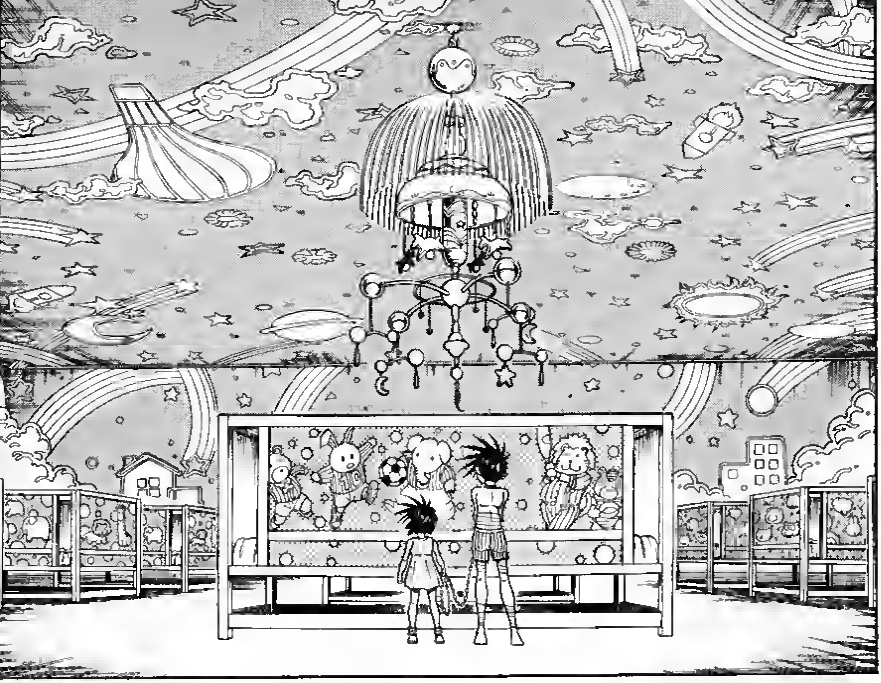
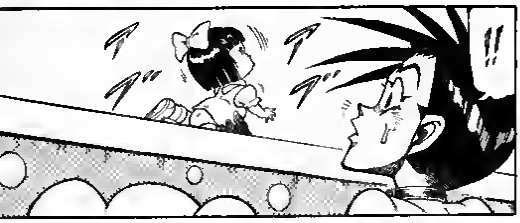



ISN'T IT
FREAKING
HUGE,
ACTUALLY?
...
WAIT.

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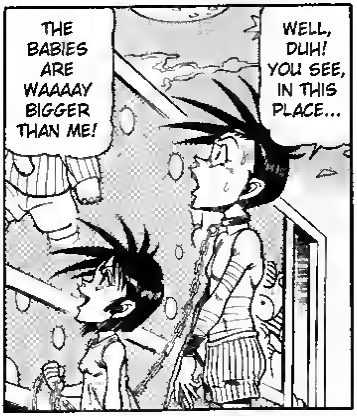
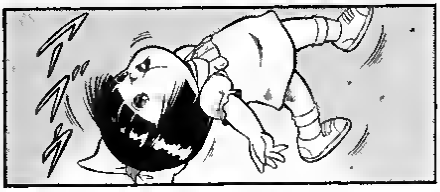
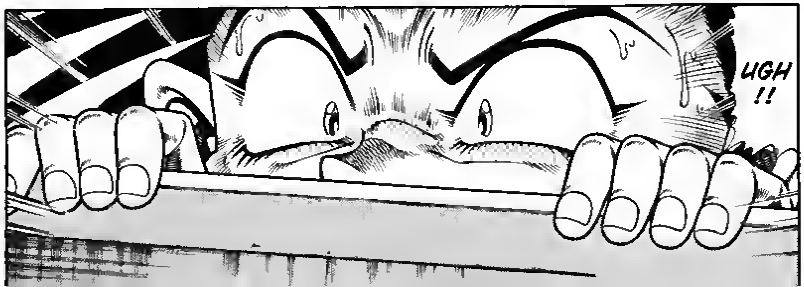
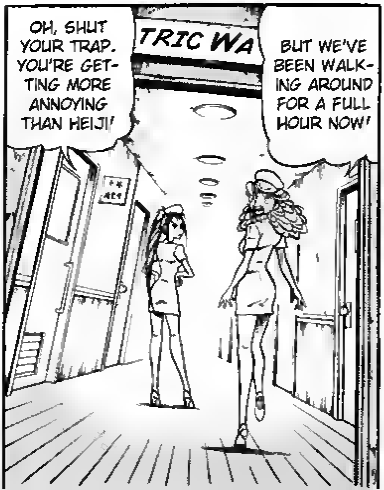

THE BABIES ARE WAAAAY BIGGER THAN ME!
WELL, DUH! YOU SEE, IN THIS PLACE...




UGH !!

DAAAAAH!
DAAH!
DAAH!


OH, SHUT YOUR TRAP. YOU'RE GETTING MORE ANNOYING THAN HEIJI!
TRIC WA
BUT WE'VE BEEN WALKING AROUND FOR A FULL HOUR NOW!

HINAGATA CAN'T POSSIBLY BE HERE!
THE MATERNITY WARD? THIS IS WRONG...

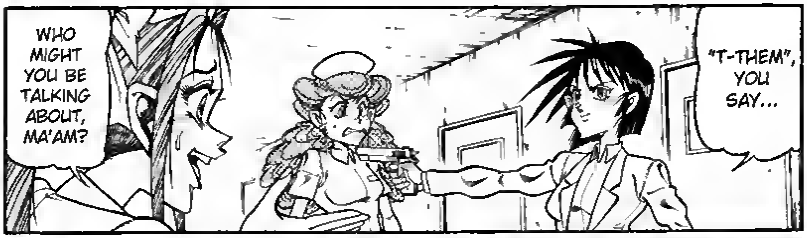
I'VE ALWAYS HAD A GREAT INTUITION, YOU KNOW?
I'M SURE IT'S THIS WAY...

HE'LL BE BORN SOON !!
QUICK, TO THE DELIV-ERY ROOM!!
!!
HUH ?!
GU OOO H...
DID THEY JUST... SAY...
HE'LL BE BORN.. ?!
BUT THAT WAS A MAN!

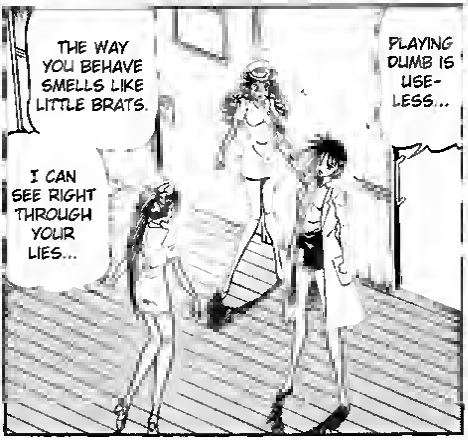
WE'VE JUST BEEN HIRED. THIS IS OUR FIRST DAY...
AH, NO, WELL... WE'RE...
LOOK WHAT WE HAVE HERE...
TWO NEW FACES ...
THAT'S A LIE.
TO TAKE THEM BACK, HAVEN'T YOU?
YOU'VE COME HERE...

YUUKO FUCHIJIMA (3)

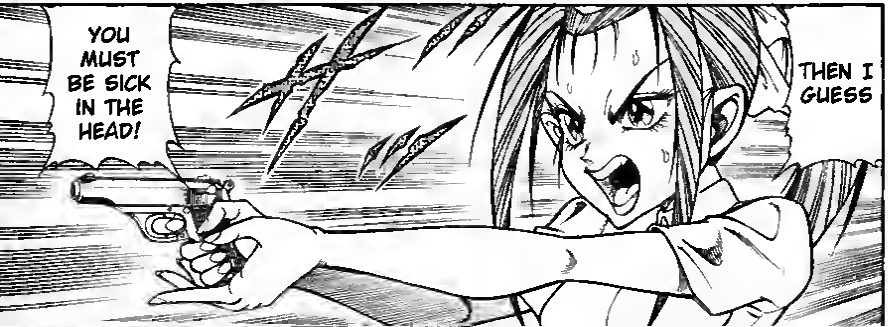
I WON'T LET YOU...
HAVE THEM...


"T-THEM", YOU SAY...
WHO MIGHT YOU BE TALKING ABOUT, MA'AM?

THAT STUPID AYAME... I KNEW THEY'D BUST US RIGHT FROM THE START!


PLAYING DUMB IS USE-LESS...
THE WAY YOU BEHAVE SMELLS LIKE LITTLE BRATS.
I CAN SEE RIGHT THROUGH YOUR LIES...

IS THAT SO...
WE SMELL LIKE LITTLE BRATS THAT MUCH, HUH..

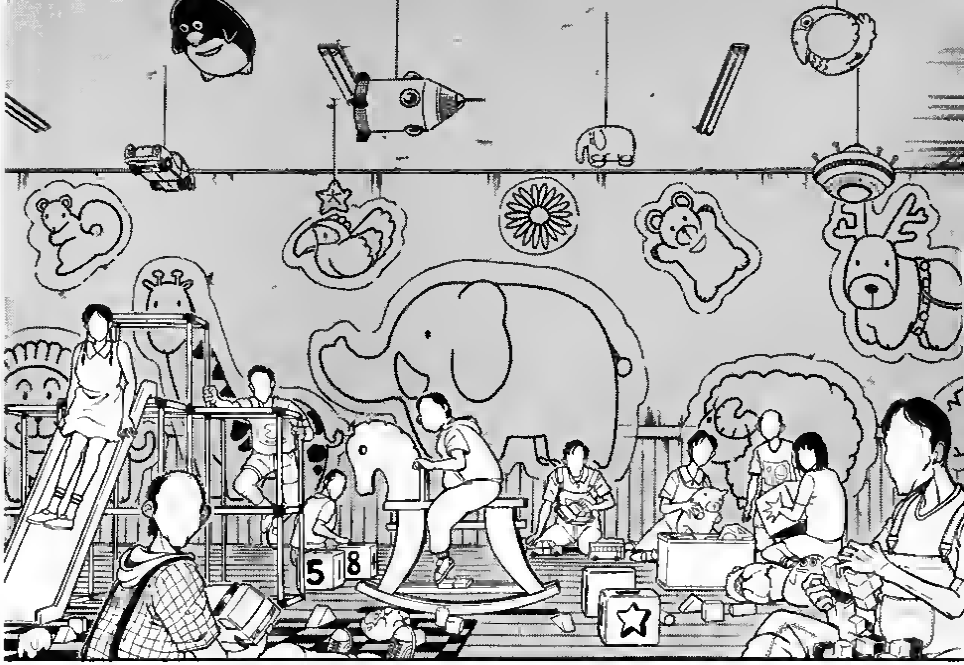

THEN I GUESS
YOU MUST BE SICK IN THE HEAD!

THAT'S BETTER ...
THAT REAC-TION...
FIVE-SIX YEARS?
FI...
IT'S JUST THAT MY 5-6 YEARS OF EXPERIENCE IN LIFE TAUGHT ME SOMETHING...
HE GOT HIS HANDS ON SOMETHING VERY DANGEROUS... HE'S A TIME BOMB.
YES, BUT DESPITE THAT, I HAVE LITTLE HOPE IN SOMEONE LIKE SATOU DOING AS HE'S TOLD.
RELYING ONLY ON THINKING IS USELESS.
WE'RE ALL REALLY BUSY NOW, I'VE GOT MY HANDS FULL.
COME WITH ME FOR NOW, LADIES... I'LL THINK ABOUT HOW TO DEAL WITH YOU LATER.

OUR SITUATION SOMEHOW BECAME REALLY WEIRD, AYAME..
YEAH, BUT...
DOESN'T IT SUIT US JUST FINE?
YOU TWO SEEM TO BE FAIRLY ACCUSTOMED TO THE OUTSIDE WORLD, I'M SURE WE'LL FIND SOME USE FOR YOU.
WE HAVEN'T SEEN MANY DECENT ADARUTOS AROUND THIS RESPECTABLE HOSPITAL LATELY...
LET'S BLEND WITH ADARUTOS...
ANYWAY, FOR NOW...
CLUNK!
CLUNK!

HEY, WHAT'S THE BIG IDEA.?
SHIT !!
WE GOTTA RUN AWAY FROM HERE!
COME !!
IT WON'T OPEN!
DON'T YOU GET IT?! THIS IS NOT A NORMAL HOSPITAL, NOT AT ALL!!
WHY DO I HAVE TO RUN TOO?

ALL THESE PEOPLE!
THEY ARE ADARU-TOS!!
ARGH!!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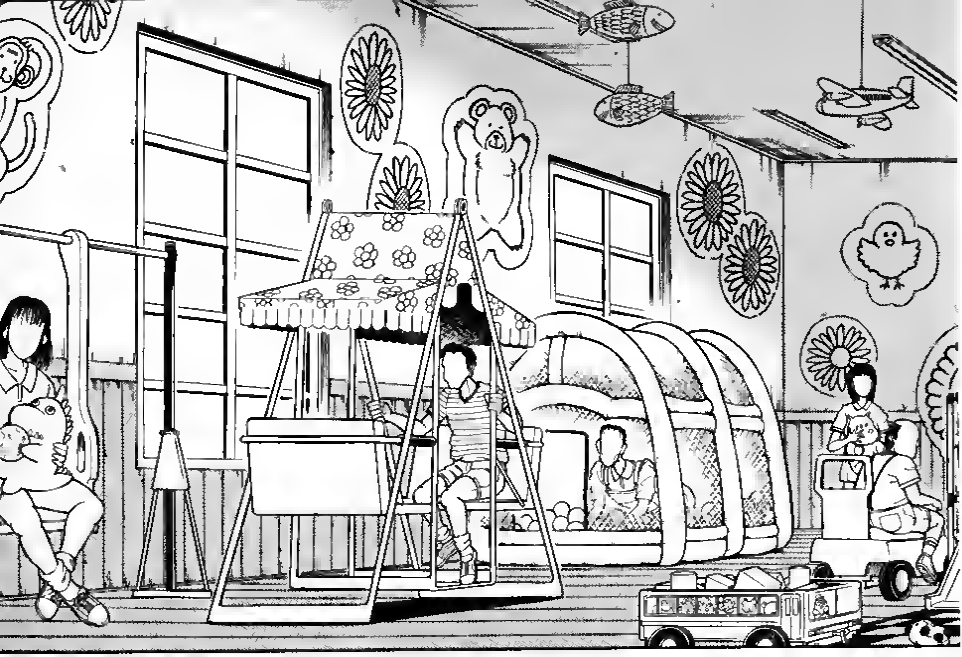
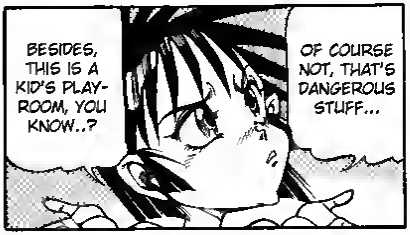
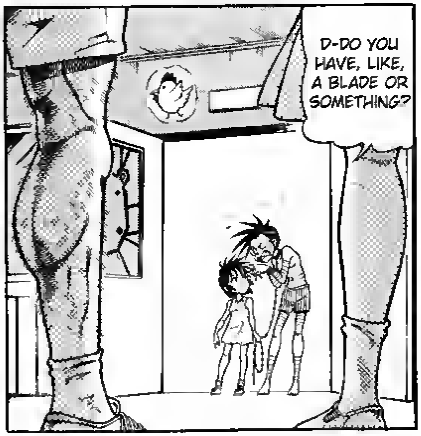
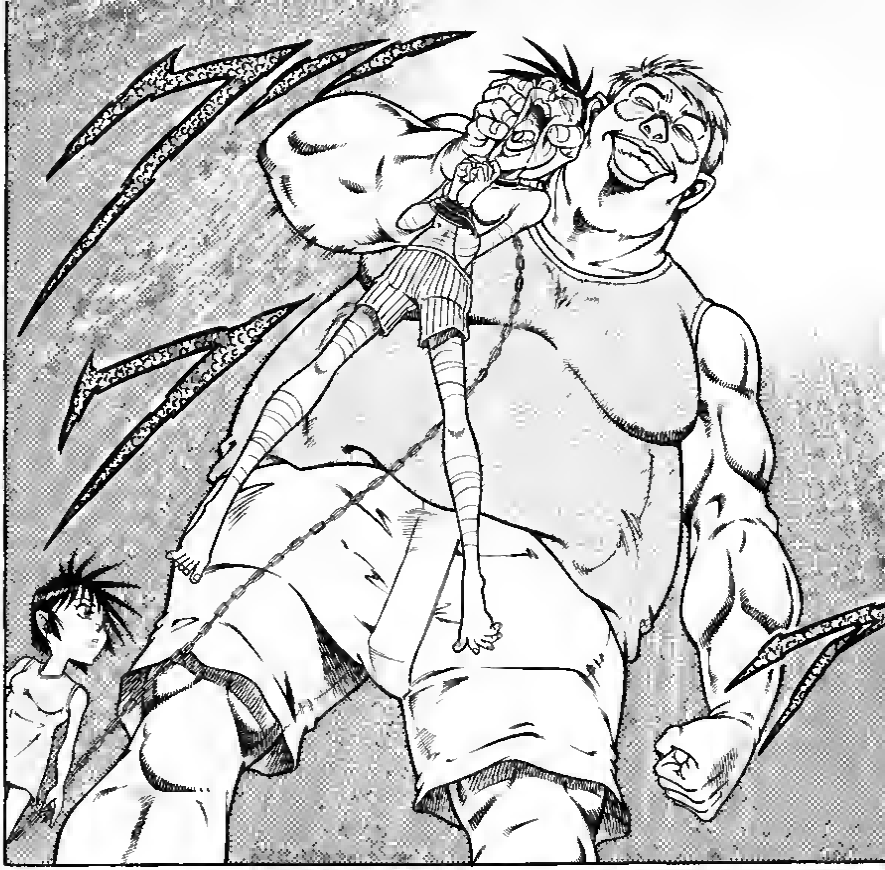


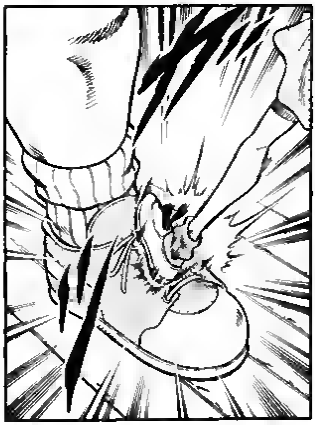

BESIDES, THIS IS A KID'S PLAY-ROOM, YOU KNOW..?
OF COURSE NOT, THAT'S DANGEROUS STUFF...

I HAVE NO OTHER CHOICE...
THEN ...


D-DO YOU HAVE, LIKE, A BLADE OR SOMETHING?

OUCH !!





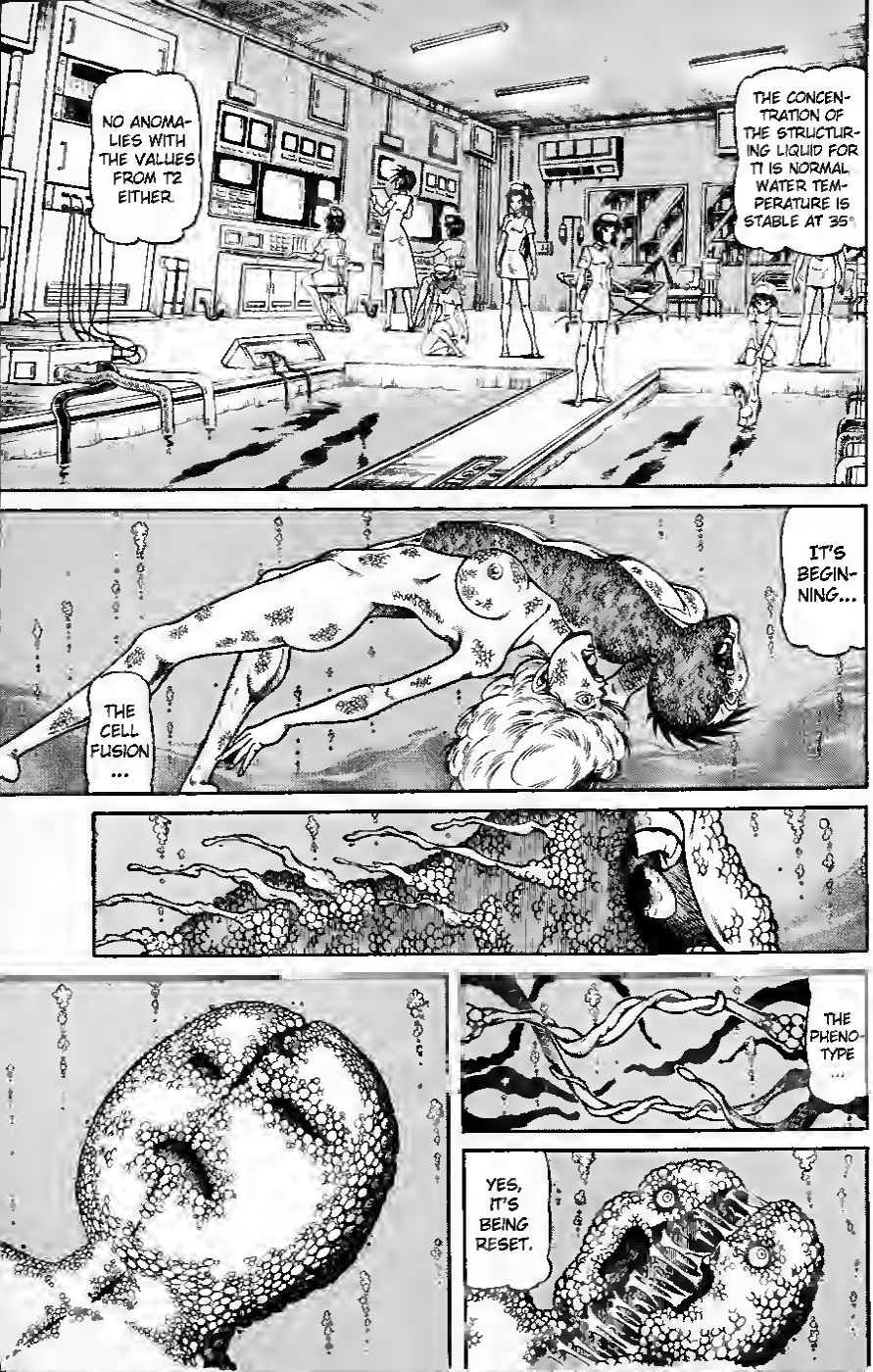
AGH
AAA
AA
...

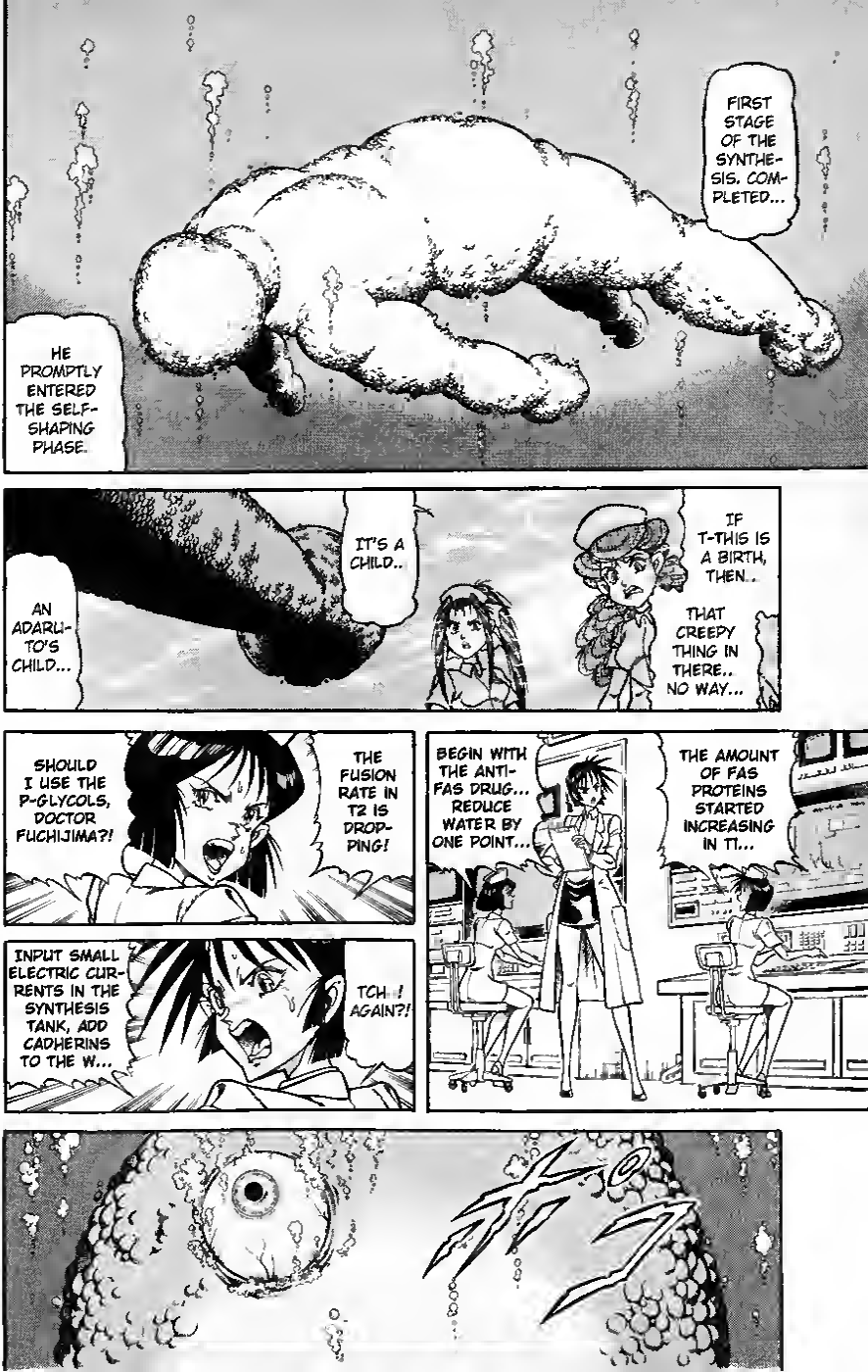
YOU MUST USE THIS THING A LITTLE MORE, YAMADA...
YOU KNOW THEY'LL NEVER LET YOU GO OUTSIDE IF YOU DON'T...
...YOU'RE GONNA KILL HIM!
IDIOT! IF YOU'RE SO BRUTAL WHEN YOU PICK HIM UP...
Y...
YEH...
THAT'S WHY IF I DON'T ORDER THEM AROUND...
THEY'RE JUST A BUNCH OF SUPER IDIOTS WHO CAN'T DO A THING...
SHEN MA'E HIM PUT ME 'OWN...
ISH... ISH HE YO' FHEND?
THESE GUYS ARE JUST ANIMALS RIGHT NOW!
NAH, HE'S NOT A FRIEND..
YES... IN ORDER TO GET YOU...
I MEANT TO BRING YOU HERE RIGHT FROM THE START...
YOU MEAN... THAT...
WA- WAIT..

GHIII !!
UOO OOH!
CELL DECAY RATE?
IT WENT OVER 90%.
ANOMA-LIES WITH THE GENOME ?
NONE SO FAR. BOTH FUJIWARAS SEEM STABLE.
OK THEN, ONLY ONE RISKY PASSAGE LEFT...
THE RETRO PROCESS DURING THE TRANSFER...

BUT, I MEAN, THIS IS CLEARLY A MAN!!
THEY TALK ABOUT... BIRTH...
JUST WHAT THE HECK ARE THEY DOING?
HUH ..?

EE-EEEEK!!
EWWW...
C'MON! USE BOTH HANDS!!
DON'T FOOL AROUND... QUICK, CARRY HIM TO THE SYNTHESIS TANK.


NO ANOMALIES WITH THE VALUES FROM T2 EITHER.
THE CONCENTRATION OF THE STRUCTURING LIQUID FOR T1 IS NORMAL. WATER TEMPERATURE IS STABLE AT 35°.
IT'S BEGINNING...
THE CELL FUSION ...
THE PHENOTYPE ...
YES, IT'S BEING RESET.


FIRST STAGE OF THE SYNTHESIS. COMPLETED...
HE PROMPTLY ENTERED THE SELF-SHAPING PHASE.
AN ADARU-TO'S CHILD...
IT'S A CHILD..
IF T-THIS IS A BIRTH, THEN..
THAT CREEPY THING IN THERE.. NO WAY...
SHOULD I USE THE P-GLYCOLS, DOCTOR FUCHIJIMA?!
THE FUSION RATE IN T2 IS DROP-PING!
INPUT SMALL ELECTRIC CUR-RENTS IN THE SYNTHESIS TANK, ADD CADHERINS TO THE W...
TCH ! AGAIN?!
BEGIN WITH THE ANTI-FAS DRUG... REDUCE WATER BY ONE POINT...
THE AMOUNT OF FAS PROTEINS STARTED INCREASING IN T1...
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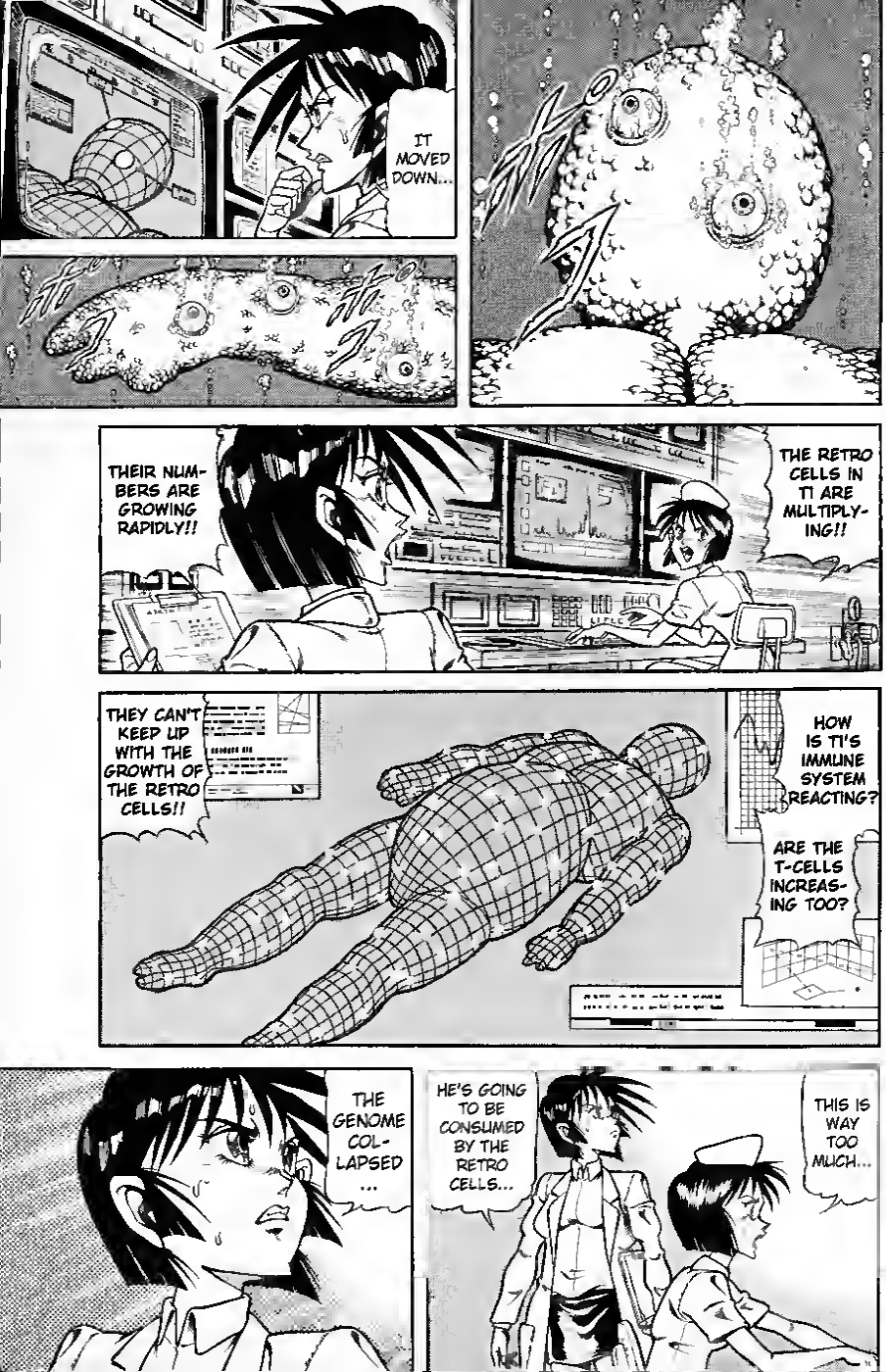
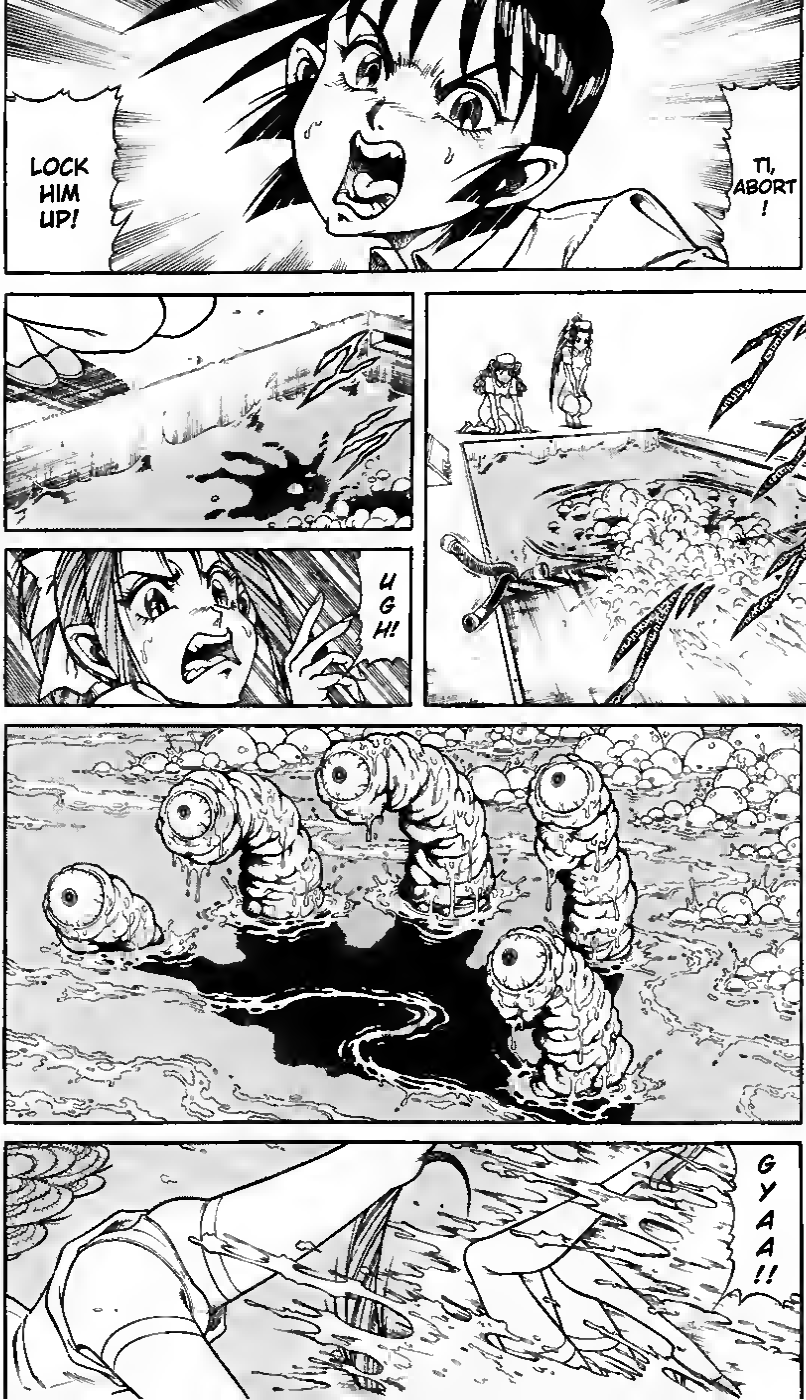
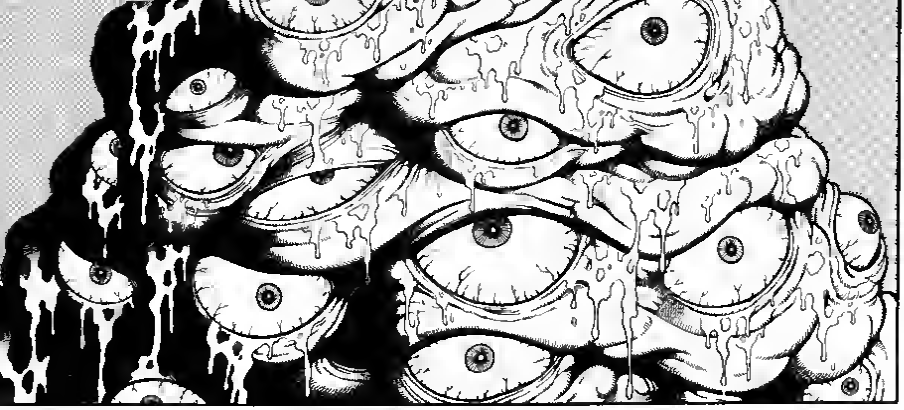
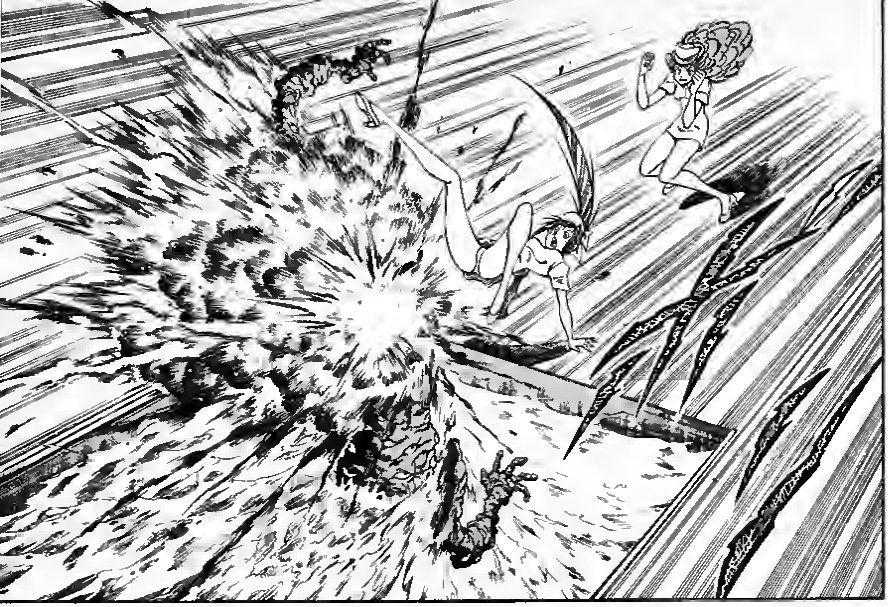

IT MOVED DOWN...
THEIR NUMBERS ARE GROWING RAPIDLY!!
THE RETRO CELLS IN TI ARE MULTIPLYING!!
THEY CAN'T KEEP UP WITH THE GROWTH OF THE RETRO CELLS!!
HOW IS TI'S IMMUNE SYSTEM REACTING?
ARE THE T-CELLS INCREASING TOO?
THE GENOME COLLAPSED...
HE'S GOING TO BE CONSUMED BY THE RETRO CELLS...
THIS IS WAY TOO MUCH...


LOCK HIM UP!
TI, ABORT!
UGH!
GYAA!!



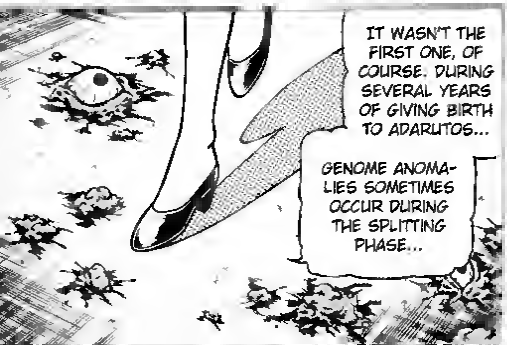
AIN'T NO ADARUTO ...
T-THIS THING ...

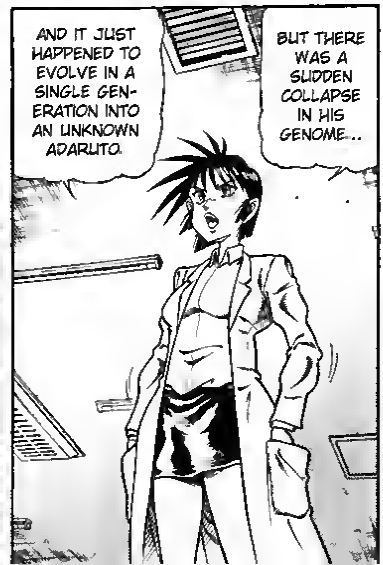
DON'T TOUCH MEEEEEEE!!
S-STAY AWAY!
I'LL BLOW YOU UP!!
YOU DAMN MONSTER!!



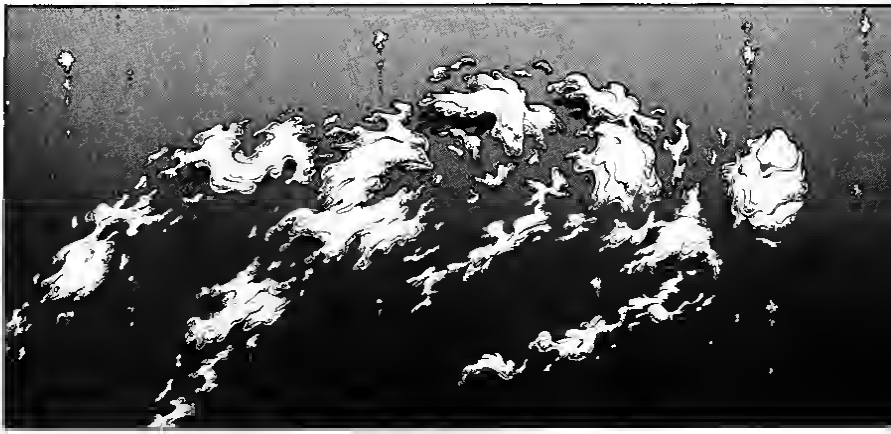
A REAL ADARUTO.
THAT WAS INDEED ONE OF US...

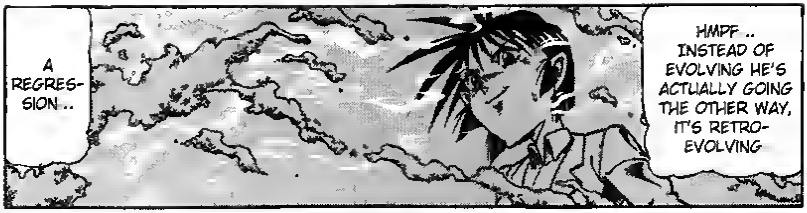
JUST WHAT..?
EVOLVED INTO AN UNKNOWN ADARU-TO..?


IT WASN'T THE FIRST ONE, OF COURSE. DURING SEVERAL YEARS OF GIVING BIRTH TO ADARUTOS...
GENOME ANOMA-LIES SOMETIMES OCCUR DURING THE SPLITTING PHASE...

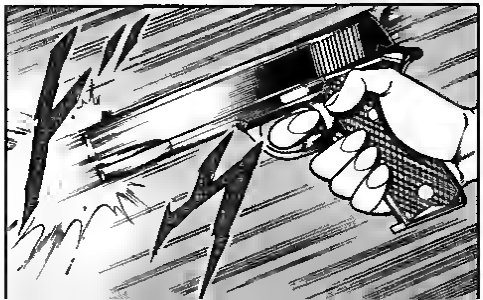

AND IT JUST HAPPENED TO EVOLVE IN A SINGLE GEN-ERATION INTO AN UNKNOWN ADARUTO.
BUT THERE WAS A SUDDEN COLLAPSE IN HIS GENOME...

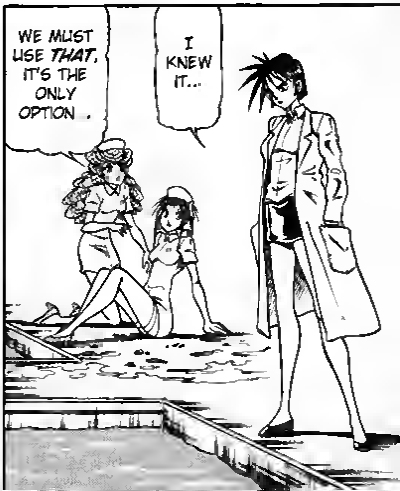
THERE'S AN ANOMALY WITH TWIN2 AS WELL!
DOC-TOR FUCHI-JIMA!!



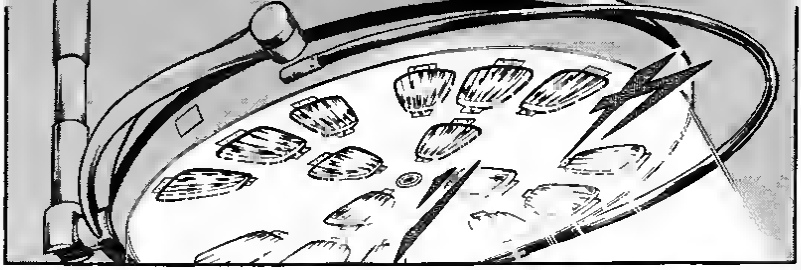

A REGRES-SION..
HMPF.. INSTEAD OF EVOLVING HE'S ACTUALLY GOING THE OTHER WAY, IT'S RETRO-EVOLVING

YOU CAN'T MEAN..
BY "THAT" ...

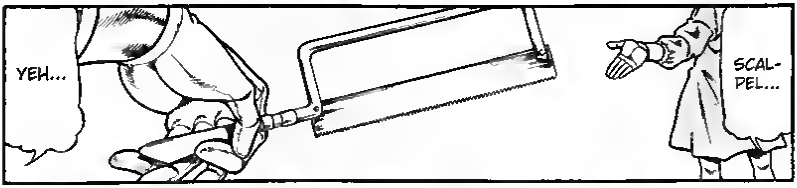



WE MUST USE THAT, IT'S THE ONLY OPTION.
I KNEW IT...

PRE-CISELY ...
YOUR CHAIRU-DO...
... BLOOD
A-AYAME !
ARGH !!
I DON'T KNOW WHAT KIND OF POWER YOU USED TO TURN INTO ADULTS, BUT THAT REALLY IS A GREAT DISGUISE.
THAT EXPLOSION CLEARED ALL MY DOUBTS THOUGH.
VERY WELL, YOU'LL GET THE SAME TREAT-MENT WE RE-SERVED FOR HINAGATA AND THE OTHER CHAIRUDOS .
WE'LL USE YOUR BLOOD AS WELL AS HIS, IF YOU DON'T MIND...

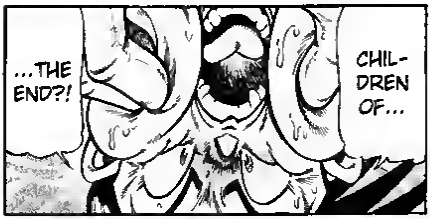


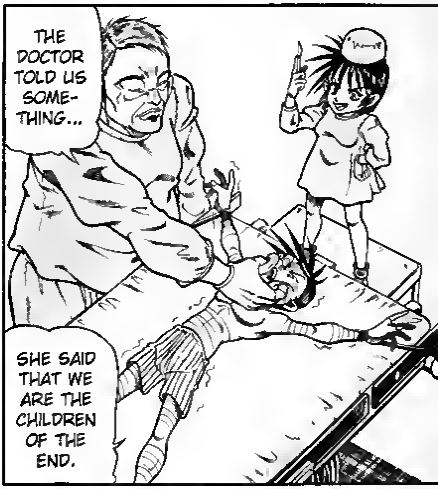
WE WILL SHORTLY COM-MENCE THE OP-ERATION...
AHEM.. EVERY-THING IS READY..

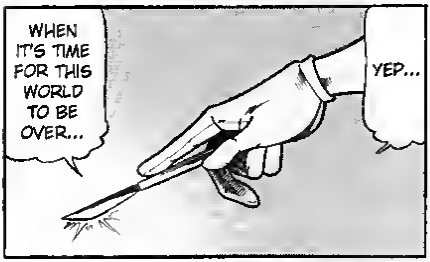

YEH...
SCAL-PEL...

NO, I DON'T NEED A HAMMER, YOU USELESS IDIOT!!
AUU UH...
YOU... YOU HAM-MER-HEAD!

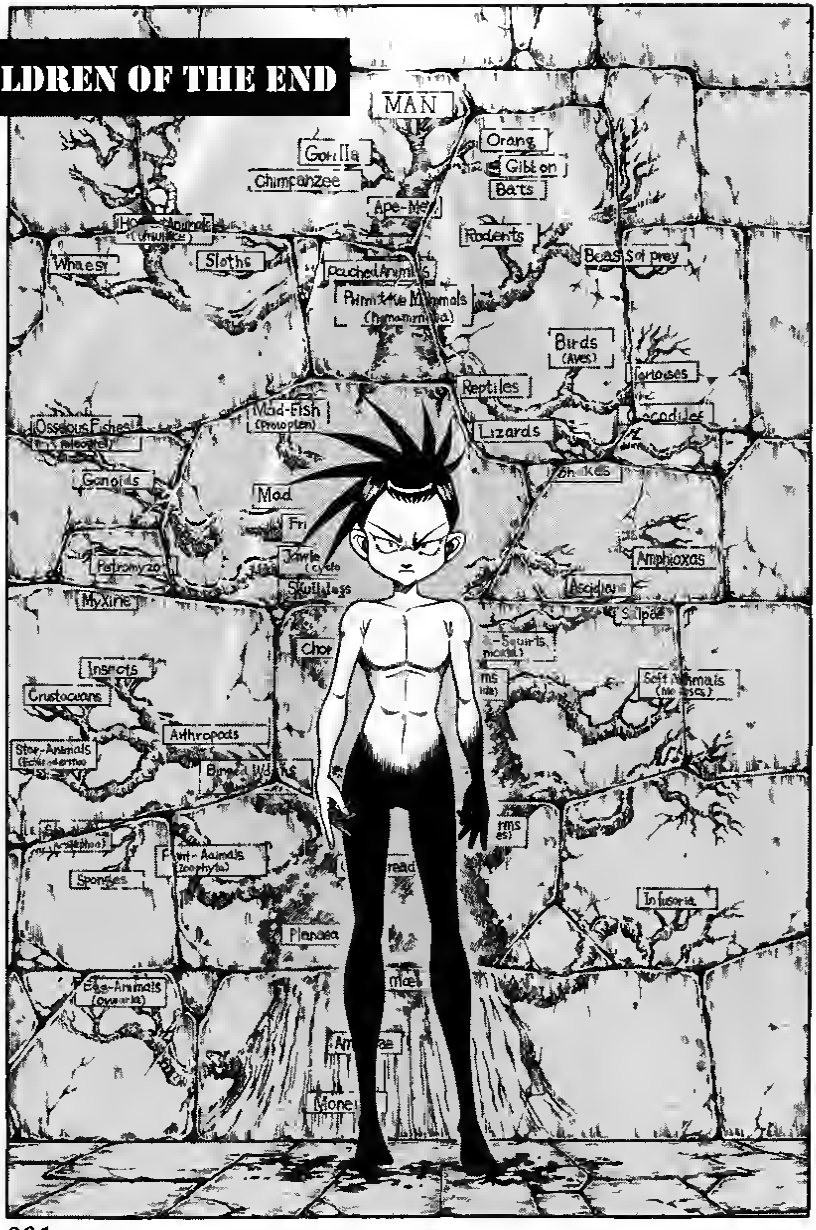
YOU SEE, IF I USE IT I'LL BE ABLE TO BECOME A REAL COMPLETE GROWN UP.
THE DOCTOR TOLD ME I COULD EVEN GO OUTSIDE WHEN I BECOME ONE.
WHAT DO YOU WANT?
HEY, BRAT, LISTEN ...
YOUR BLOOD ...
I WANT ...
BUT IF BY CHANCE YOU'RE A CHAIRUDO LIKE ME OR FUCHIJIMA...
NO MATTER WHAT YOU DO YOU'LL NEVER GROW UP!
BUT YOU... YOU'RE A HUMAN GIRL
YOU'LL GROW UP EVENTUALLY EVEN IF YOU DO NOTHING...
I'M THE SAME AS...
...YOUR BELOVED YUUKO FUCHIJIMA!
I'M NOT A HUMAN GIRL AT ALL..
HEH, BUT...
I'M NOT A CHAIRUDO..
AND I'M NOT ONE OF YOU EITHER...
W-WHAT DO YOU MEAN?!
THE SAME AS FUCHIJIMA ?!


...THE END?!
CHIL-DREN OF...


THE DOCTOR TOLD US SOME-THING...
SHE SAID THAT WE ARE THE CHILDREN OF THE END.


WHEN IT'S TIME FOR THIS WORLD TO BE OVER...
YEP...

THE CHILDREN OF THE DEVIL, OR SOME-THING...
WE'RE GONNA KILL EVERY SINGLE PERSON!


MAN
Orang
Gibbon
Bats
Gorilla
Chimpanzee
Ape-Men
Rodents
Beasts of prey
Whales
Sloths
Pouched Animals
Primitive Mammals
Birds
(Aves)
Tortoises
Reptiles
Crocodiles
Lizards
Snakes
Mud-fish
Ganoids
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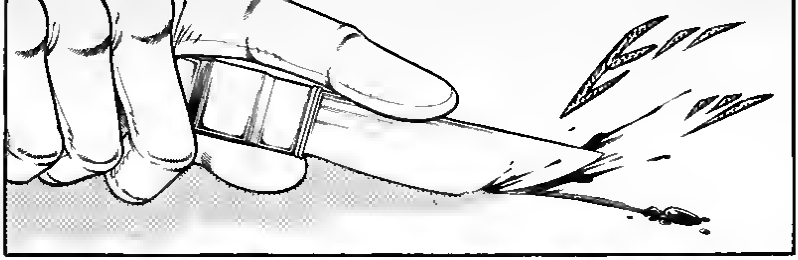
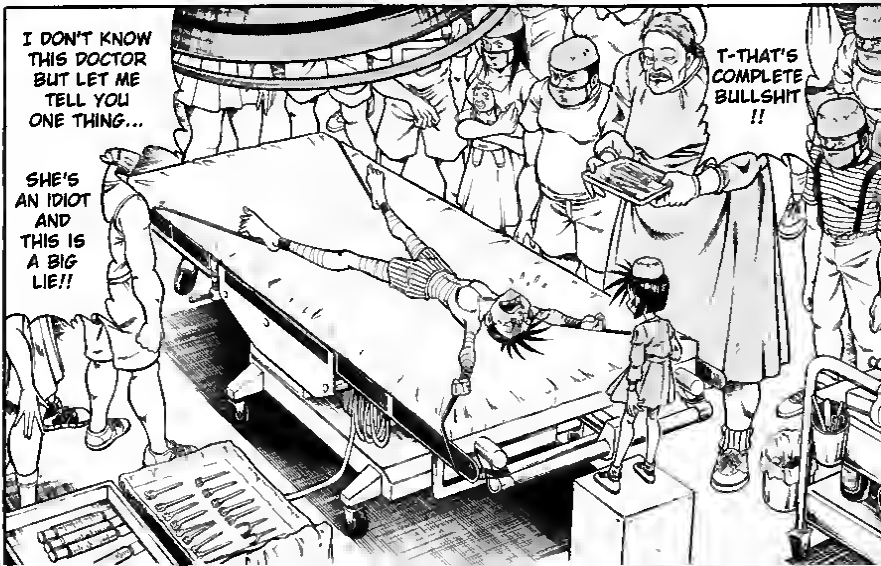
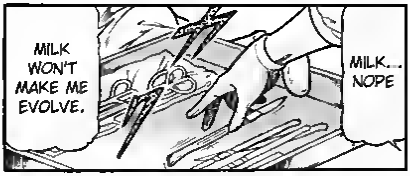


GRRR
...

THAT'S WHAT THE DOCTOR SAID...
"WHEN YOU DRINK HIS BLOOD YOU'LL BECOME AN ADULT"...


I DON'T KNOW THIS DOCTOR BUT LET ME TELL YOU ONE THING...
SHE'S AN IDIOT AND THIS IS A BIG LIE!!
T-THAT'S COMPLETE BULLSHIT !!

THERE'S NO WAY THAT SOMETHING LIKE DRINKING OUR BLOOD COULD WORK LIKE THAT, EVER!
WE CHAIRUDO ARE BEINGS WHO DON'T GROW OLD AT ALL TO BEGIN WITH..

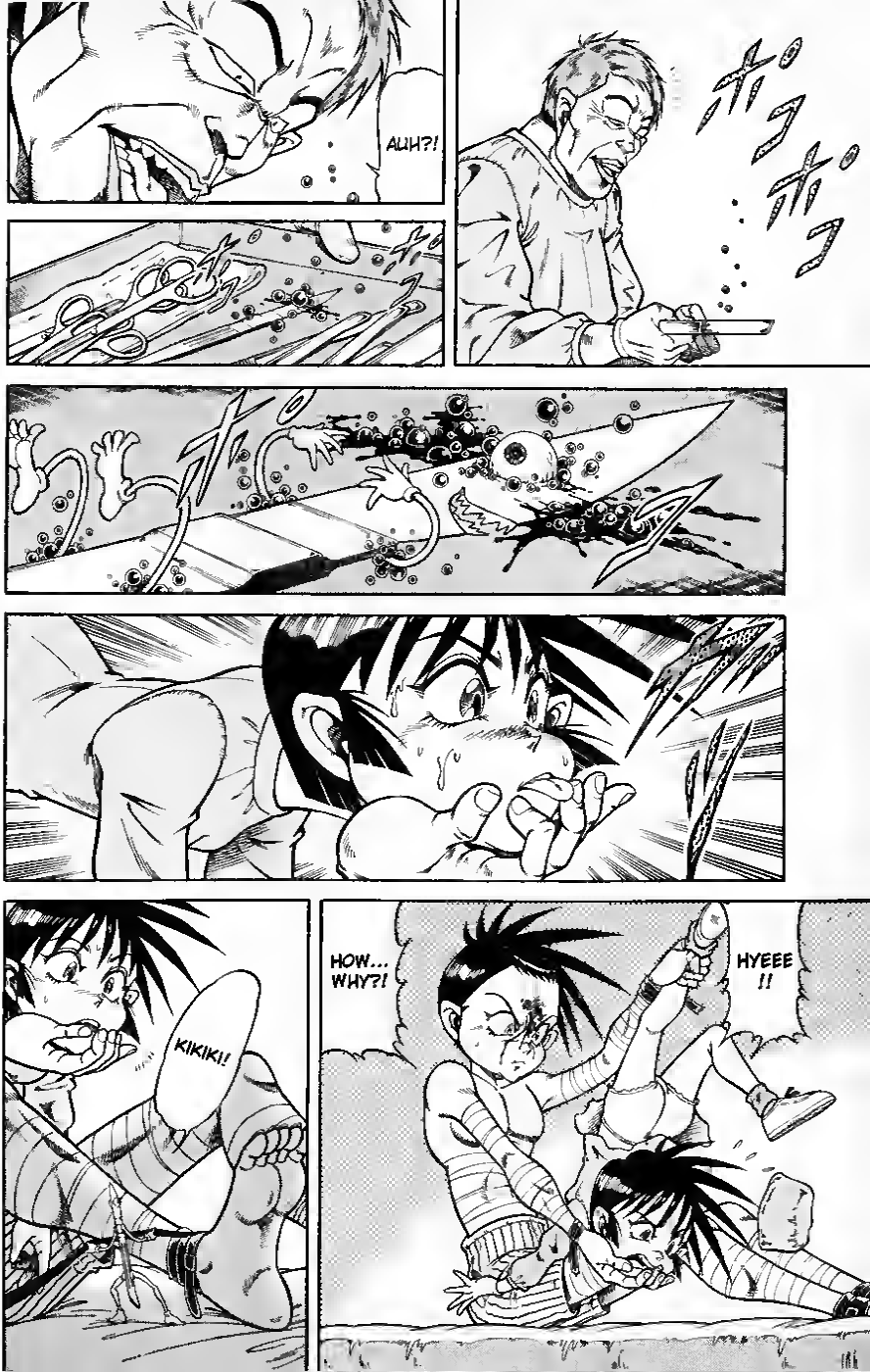

MILK WON'T MAKE ME EVOLVE.
MILK... NOPE

... HUH?!
EVOLVE .?

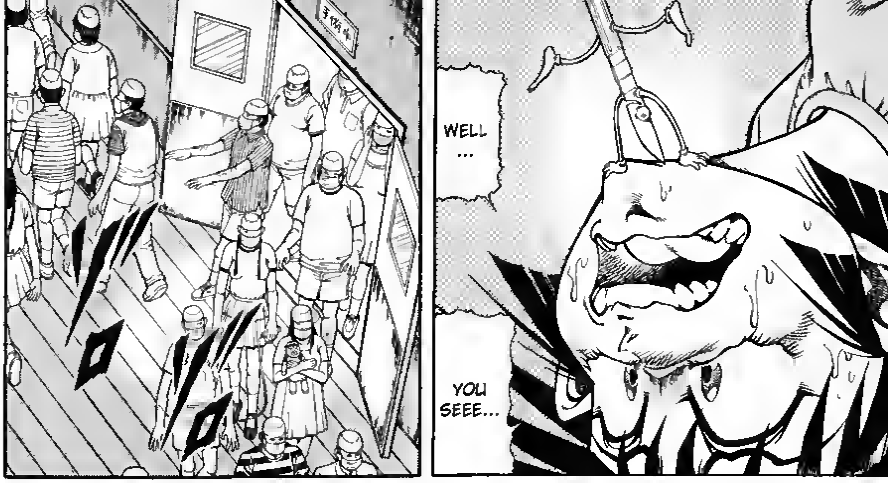
THAT WILL WORK LIKE A CHARM, BELIEVE ME, LITTLE FUCHIJIMA!
IF YOU WANNA GROW YOU GOTTA DRINK STUFF LIKE MILK..

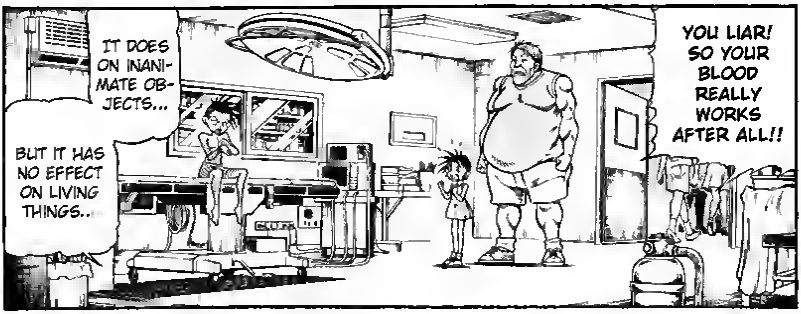
I'LL WIPE OUT EVERY SINGLE MAN THERE IS...
AND AFTER THAT HAPPENS... I, YUUKO FUCHIJIMA, A CHILD OF THE DEVIL, WILL BECOME THE DEVIL ITSELF.

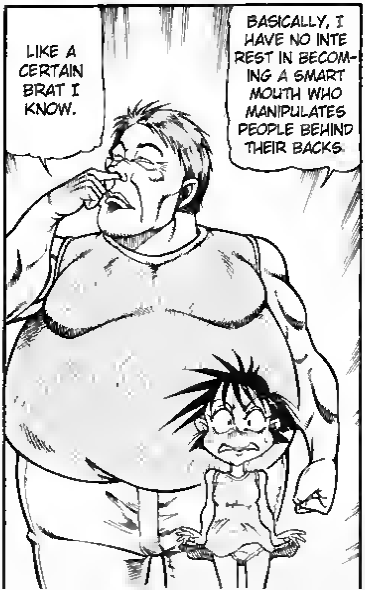
EVOLVING INTO AN ADULT...
YES... IT'S MY DREAM...


AUH?!
ポンポン
KIKIKI!
HOW... WHY?!
HYEEE !!

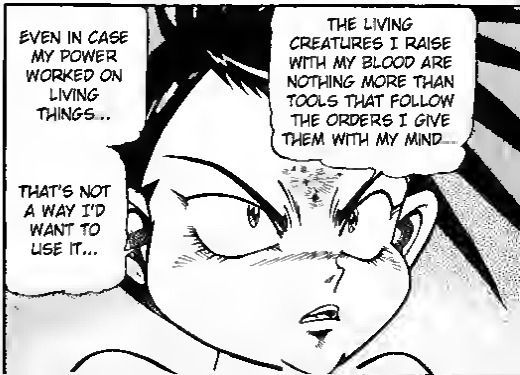
HEY, YAMADUMB!! MOVE YOUR ASS AND GET HIM!!
YEH!
KI KI KI...
AUU UH!!
MAYBE IT'S BETTER ...
NOT TO MESS WITH HIM AFTER ALL...
WHA... WHAT I DO..?!
YAMADA DON'T KNOW!
STOP !!
S..!


WELL ...
YOU SEEE...


IT DOES ON INANIMATE OBJECTS...
BUT IT HAS NO EFFECT ON LIVING THINGS..
YOU LIAR! SO YOUR BLOOD REALLY WORKS AFTER ALL!!


LIKE A CERTAIN BRAT I KNOW.
BASICALLY, I HAVE NO INTEREST IN BECOMING A SMART MOUTH WHO MANIPULATES PEOPLE BEHIND THEIR BACKS.

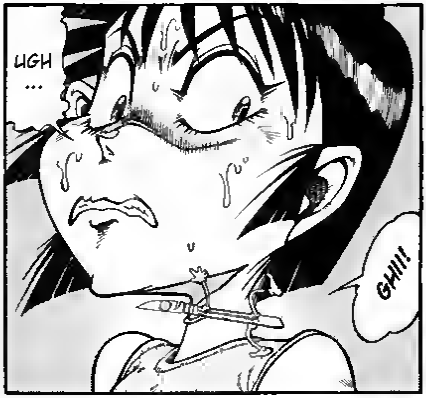
NAH...
HAVE YOU TRIED?


EVEN IN CASE MY POWER WORKED ON LIVING THINGS...
THAT'S NOT A WAY I'D WANT TO USE IT...
THE LIVING CREATURES I RAISE WITH MY BLOOD ARE NOTHING MORE THAN TOOLS THAT FOLLOW THE ORDERS I GIVE THEM WITH MY MIND...

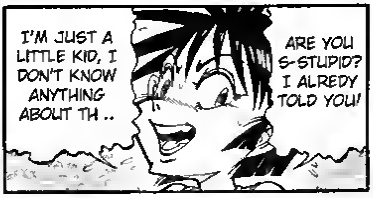
WHERE ?
ISN'T IT OBVIOUS?

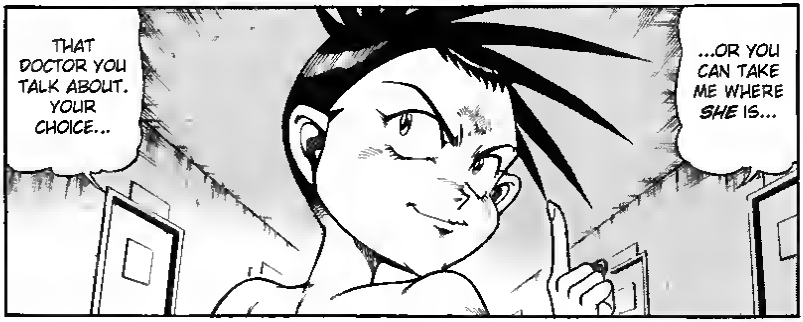
GRR ...

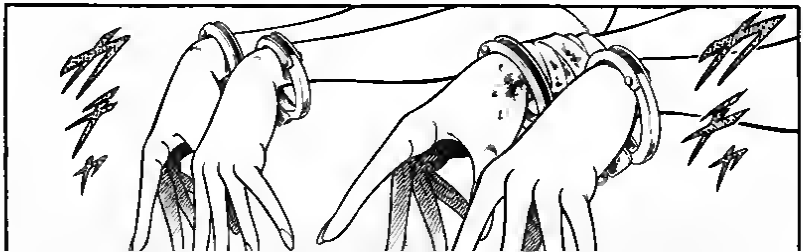
HMM .. TAKE ME THERE, WILL YA?
OK...


UGH ...
GHI!!

TO THE PLACE WHERE THE REAL YUUKO FUCHIJIMA IS HELD..
WHERE THE OTHER YOU IS..


I'M JUST A LITTLE KID, I DON'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT TH ..
ARE YOU S-STUPID? I ALREDY TOLD YOU!

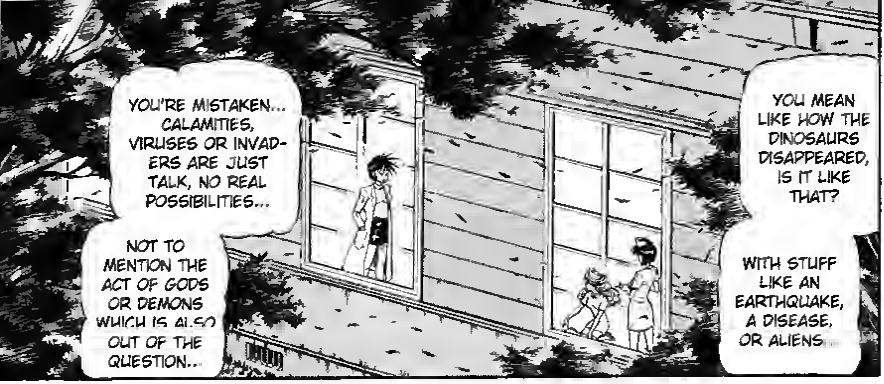

THAT DOCTOR YOU TALK ABOUT. YOUR CHOICE...
...OR YOU CAN TAKE ME WHERE *SHE* IS...



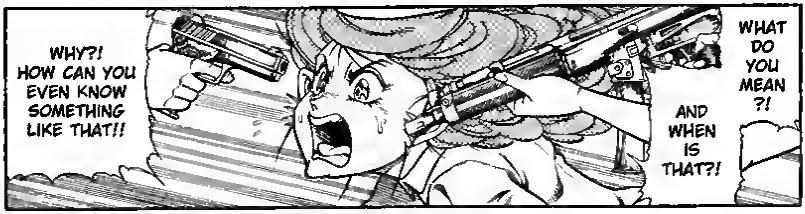
THE INFORMATION WE COLLECTED FROM THAT KID WAS NOT ENOUGH.
BUT I'M KINDA RELIEVED.
EVERYTHING YOU KNOW ABOUT HIM.
YOU TWO ARE GOING TO TELL ME.
NORMAL CHAIRUDO, YOU'RE RIGHT.
WELL, IN CASE OF..
YOU KILL EVERY CHAIRUDO YOU FIND ON THE SPOT!
..THE HELL WE WILL! YOU'RE ALL DAMN ADARUTOS..
SPECIAL?!
.....
BUT HE'S REALLY SPECIAL, THAT ONE...
THE ONE YOU CALL HEIJI HINAGATA...
THE IDEA POPPED IN MY MIND RIGHT FROM THE MOMENT I READ THE REPORT ABOUT HIS BLOOD'S POWER..
NO USE PLAYING DUMB..

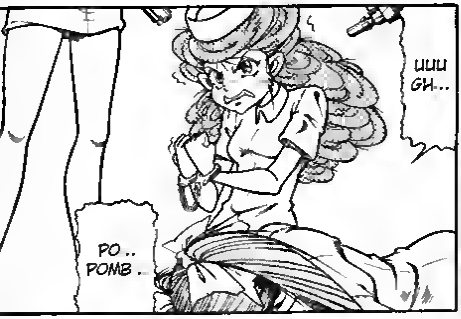
"CHILDREN OF THE BE-GINNING"!!
HE'S ONE OF THEM, RIGHT? THOSE THAT YOU CHAIRUDO CALL...
KNOW ABOUT THAT..
HOW DOES SHE...
SO WE DISPOSED OF HIM...
BUT IN THE END HIS BLOOD AND FLESH WERE USE-LESS.
D-DISPOSED OF HIM..? N-NO WAY...
A CHAIRUDO WE CAUGHT LONG AGO TOLD US ABOUT IT.
I MUST SAY HE HAD A NICE POWER OF HIS OWN...
WHAT ARE YOU GONNA DO WITH HEIJI'S BLOOD?
WHAT THE HELL DO YOU WANT?

AYAME !!
WHAT ARE YOU...
TELL... M-ME ...
BUT LET ME TELL YOU THIS ONE THING.
I'M NOT SURE YET...
WIPED OUT?!
MEN WILL BE...
ALL THE LIVING CREATURES THAT YOU CAN SOMEHOW CALL "MEN" WILL DISAPPEAR FROM THE FACE OF THE EARTH.
CHAIRUDO AND ADARUTO ALIKE, AS WELL AS OTHER SUB-HUMAN SPECIES AND ALL OF HUMANITY...
WIPED OUT...
MEN WILL BE...


YOU'RE MISTAKEN... CALAMITIES, VIRUSES OR INVADERS ARE JUST TALK, NO REAL POSSIBILITIES...
NOT TO MENTION THE ACT OF GODS OR DEMONS WHICH IS ALSO OUT OF THE QUESTION...
YOU MEAN LIKE HOW THE DINOSAURS DISAPPEARED, IS IT LIKE THAT?
WITH STUFF LIKE AN EARTHQUAKE, A DISEASE, OR ALIENS...

HUMANS... MIGHT DISAPPEAR BY THE HANDS OF HUMANS THEMSELVES ...
IF YOU WANT ME TO SPELL IT OUT FOR YOU...


WHY?! HOW CAN YOU EVEN KNOW SOMETHING LIKE THAT!!
WHAT DO YOU MEAN ?!
AND WHEN IS THAT?!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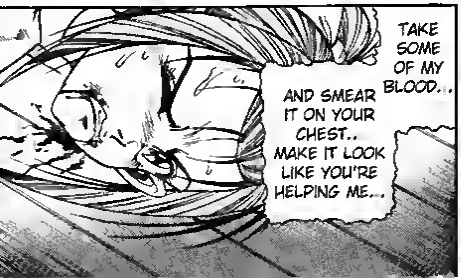
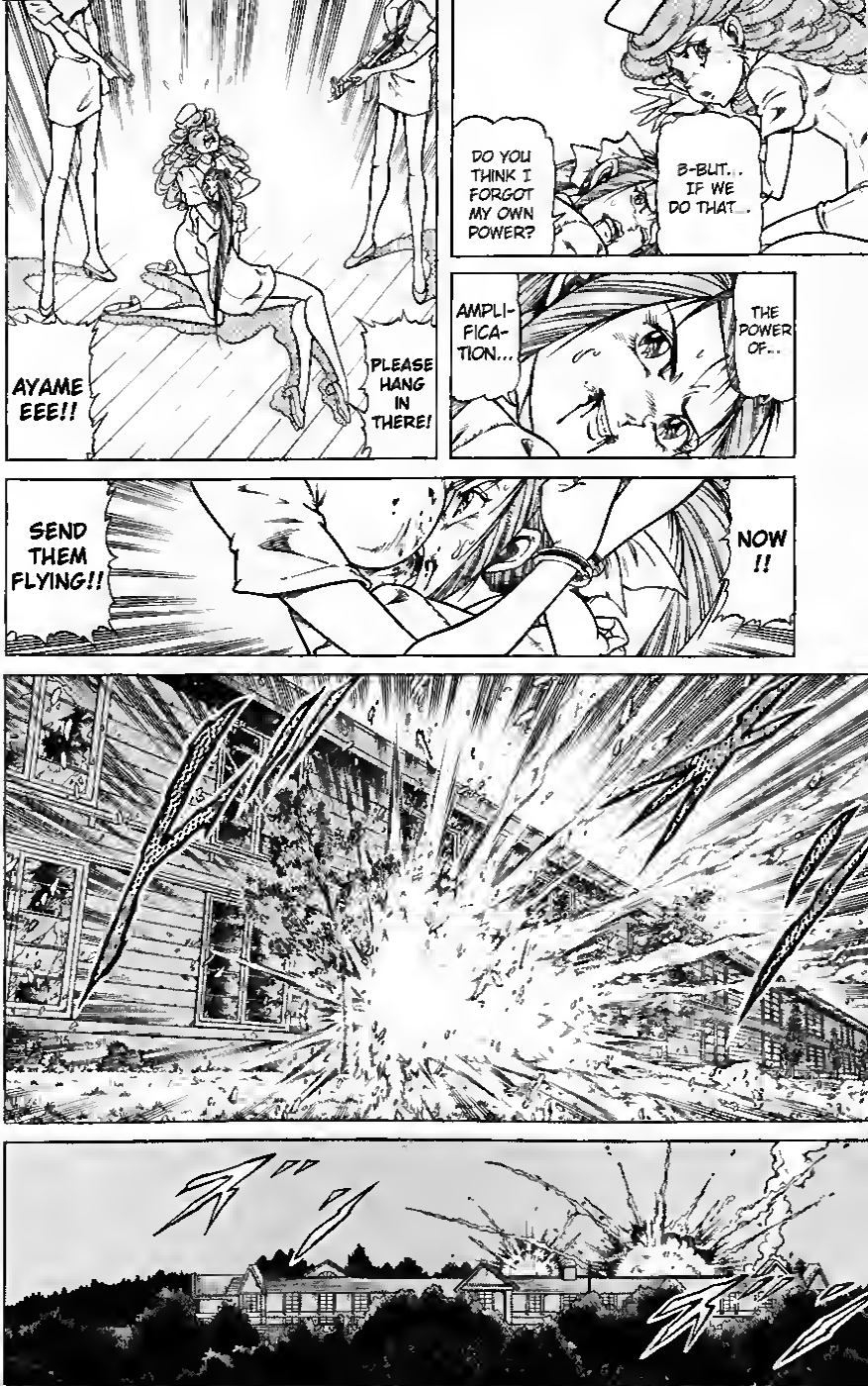
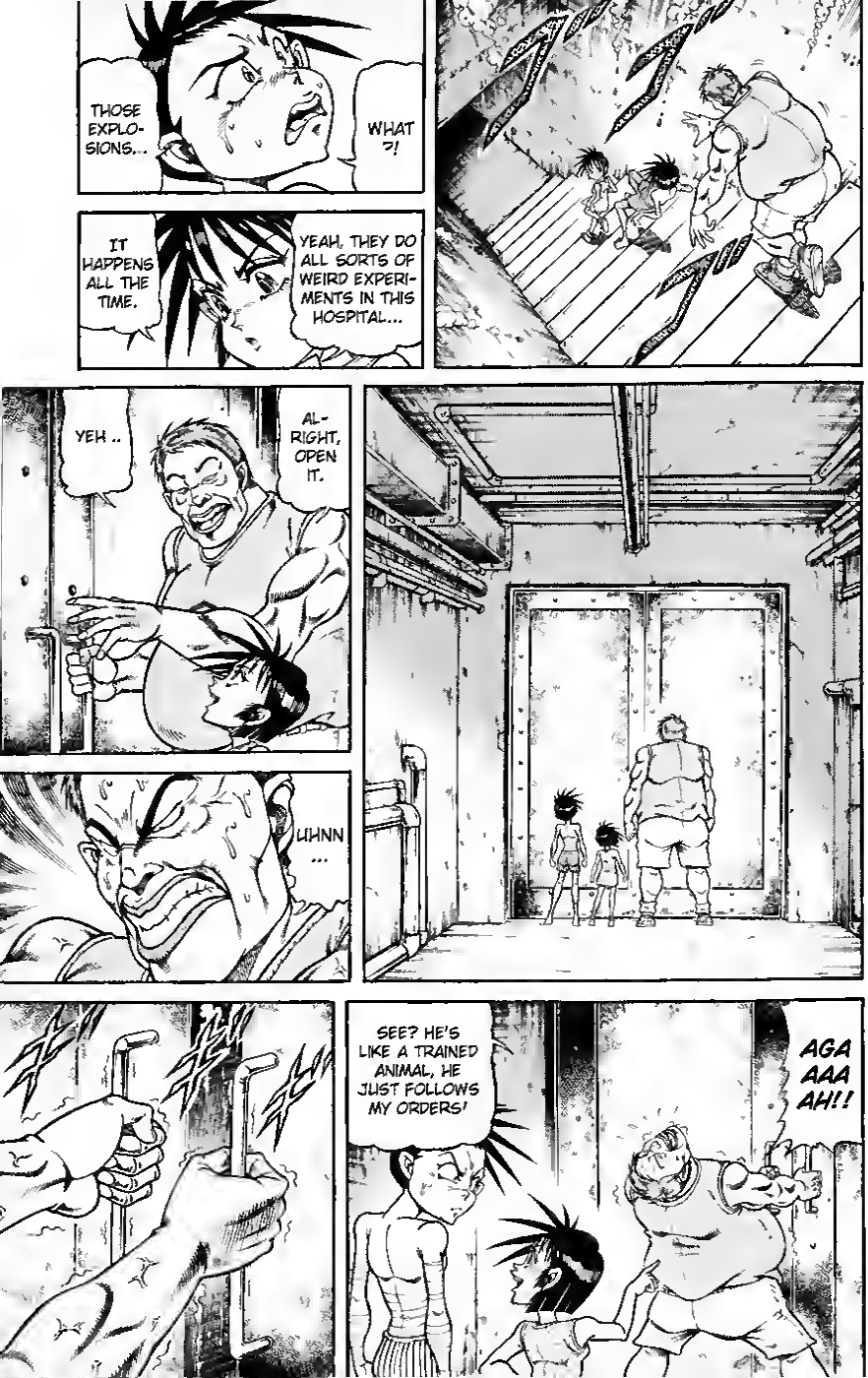
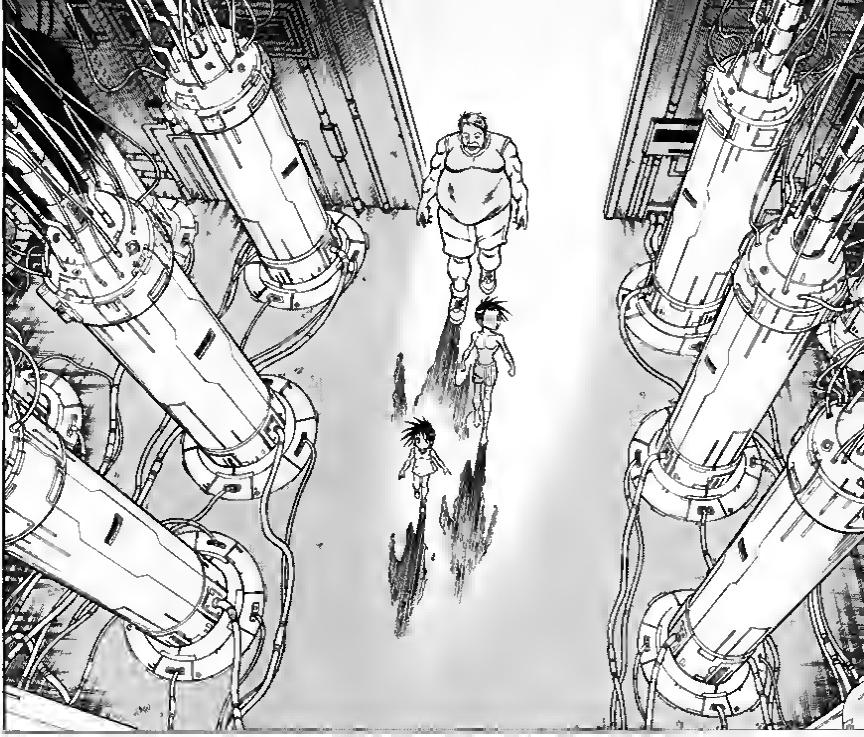
PO.. POMB.

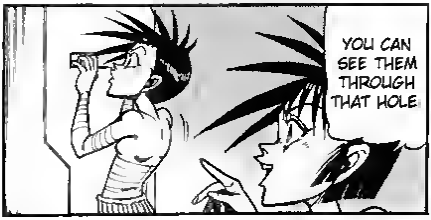

TAKE SOME OF MY BLOOD...
AND SMEAR IT ON YOUR CHEST.. MAKE IT LOOK LIKE YOU'RE HELPING ME...

YOU'LL BE LONG DEAD ALREADY...
KNOWING WON'T DO YOU ANY GOOD. BY THEN...

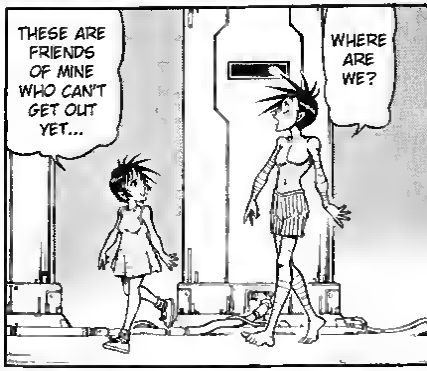

AYAME EEE!!
PLEASE HANG IN THERE!
DO YOU THINK I FORGOT MY OWN POWER?
B-BUT.. IF WE DO THAT..
AMPLI-FICA-TION...
THE POWER OF..
SEND THEM FLYING!!
NOW !!

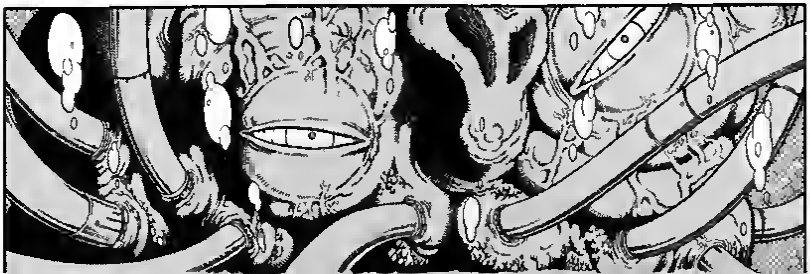

THOSE EXPLOSIONS...
WHAT ?!
IT HAPPENS ALL THE TIME.
YEAH, THEY DO ALL SORTS OF WEIRD EXPERIMENTS IN THIS HOSPITAL...
YEH ..
ALRIGHT, OPEN IT.
UHNN ...
SEE? HE'S LIKE A TRAINED ANIMAL, HE JUST FOLLOWS MY ORDERS!
AGA AAA AH!!

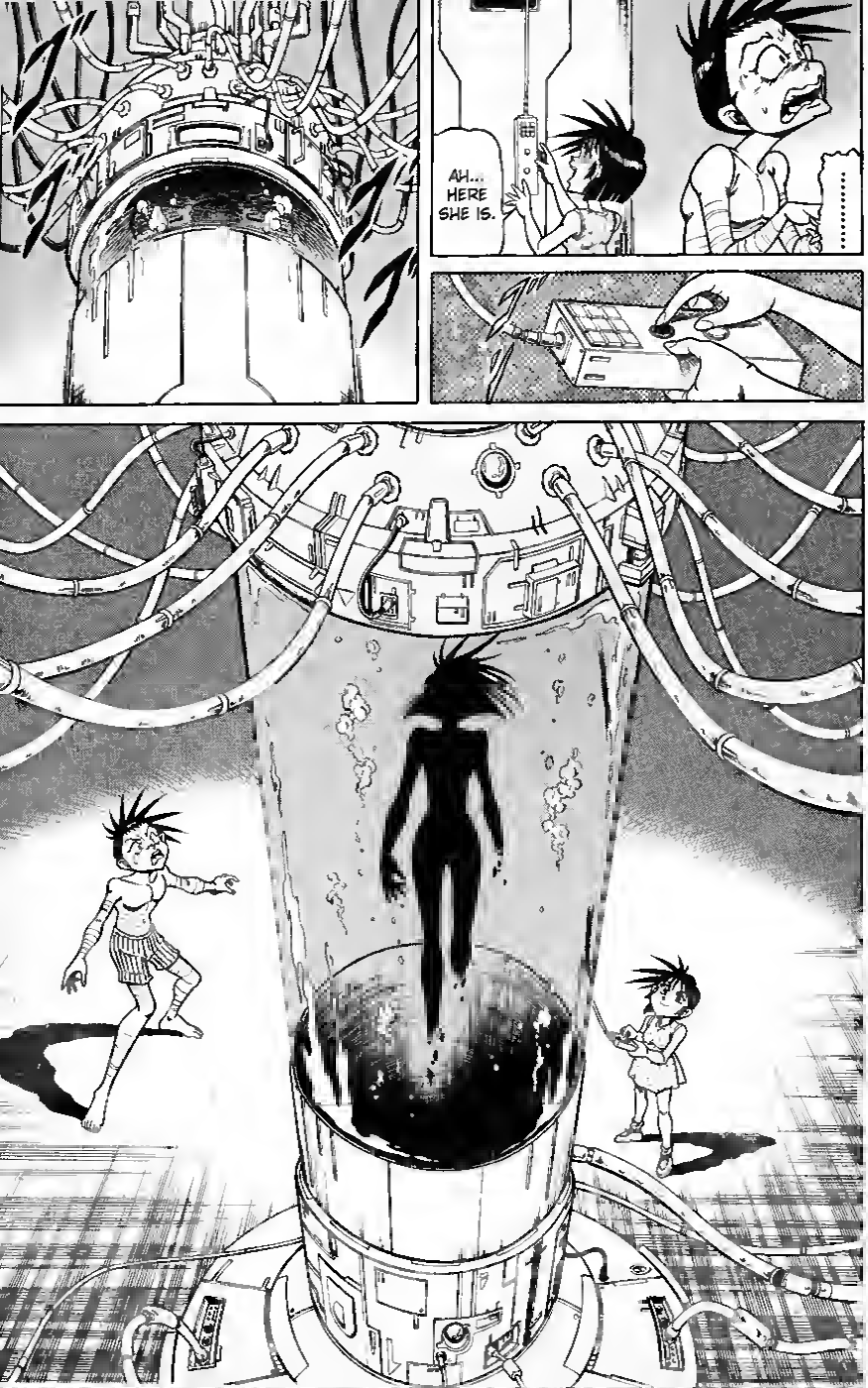



YOU CAN SEE THEM THROUGH THAT HOLE

UH ..


THESE ARE FRIENDS OF MINE WHO CAN'T GET OUT YET...
WHERE ARE WE?




AH... HERE SHE IS.
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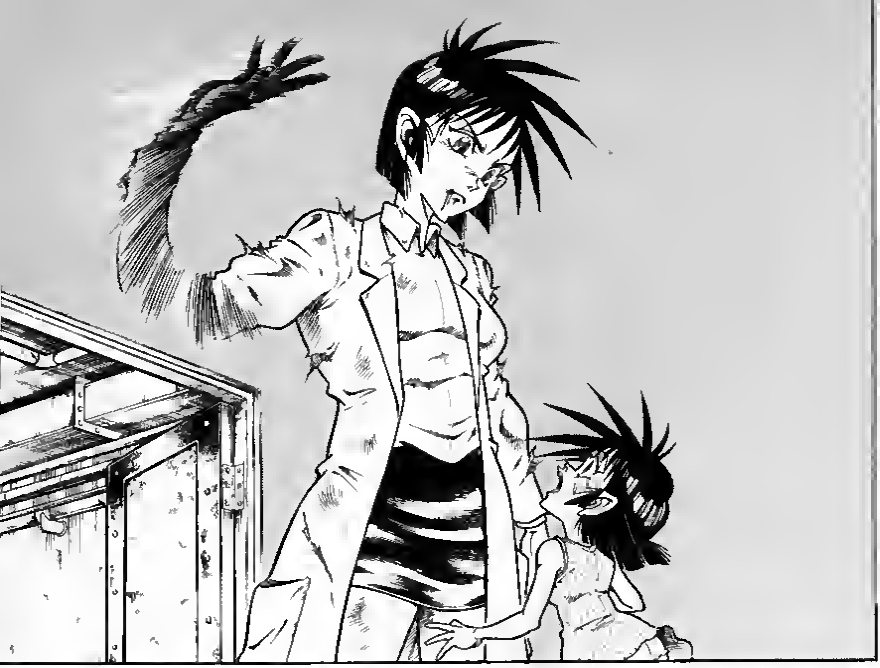
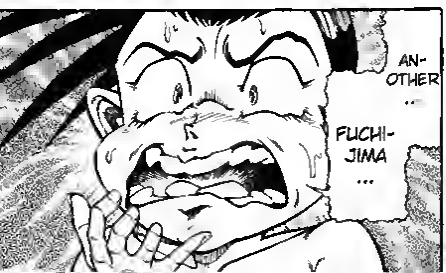
FUCHI-
JIMA...
FU...

ALL OF IT T-TO SAVE ME. YOU CARRIED ME..
OUT OF THAT FIRE...
AND LEGS ...
YOUR HANDS ..
PLEASE, MOVE !!
HEY! WAKE UP!!
THAT'S WHAT YOU TOLD ME, FUCHI-JIMA!!
"I'LL GO ON LIVING!"
AUH.. ?!
THIS GUY! COME ON, QUICK...
TO GET THIS GUY..
YAMADA .. NOW'S THE TIME..

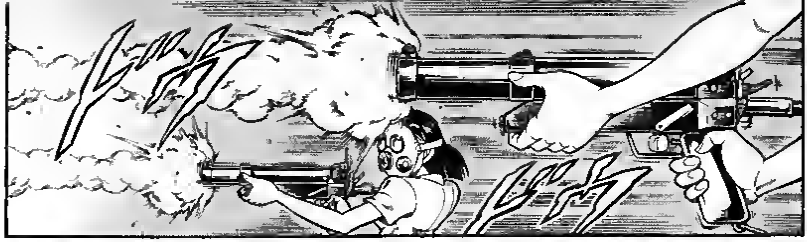
AGH AAA...
MY HAND IS BOO-BOO..!
YUUK-OOOOUU...
I GOTTA RUN AWAY NOW!
I'LL LEAVE THE REST TO YOU, YAMADA!
CATCHING SOMETHING SO SHARP WITH BARE HANDS!
WELL, DUH!!
FUCKING BRAT..!
GOD DAMN...

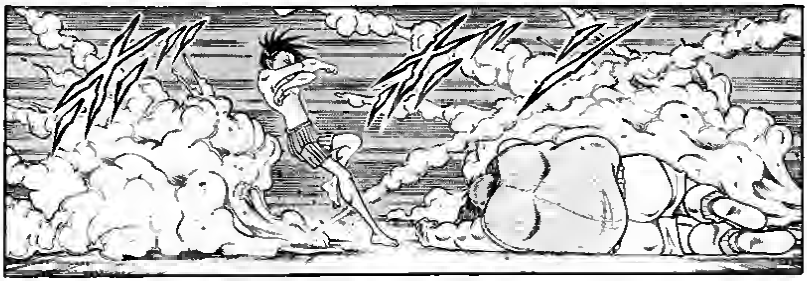


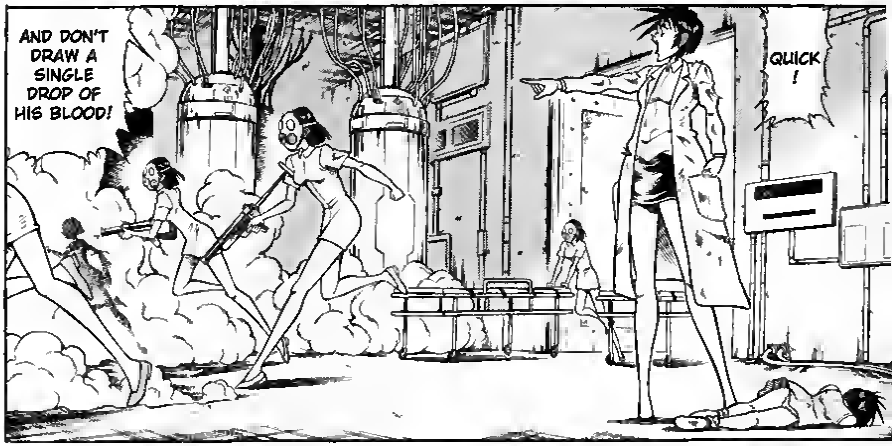
W-WHAT ... NO F-FREAK-ING WAY...

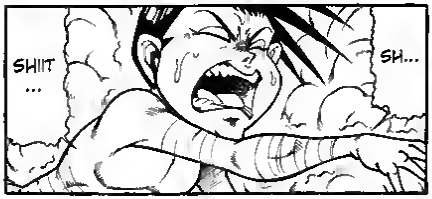

AN-OTHER ... FUCHI-JIMA ...

YOU OBVIOUSLY WISH TO STAY LOCKED IN THIS PLACE FOREVER.
YOU BROUGHT THIS ON YOUR-SELF, YOUNG LADY...

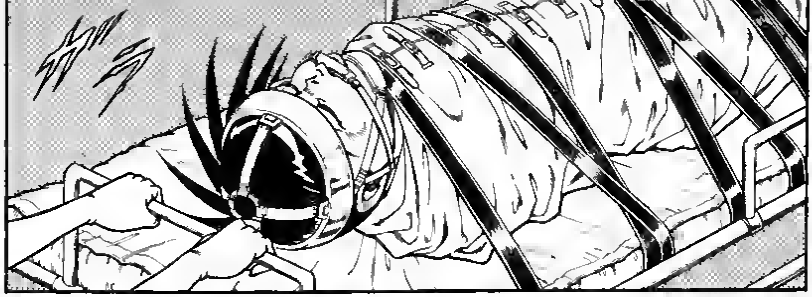


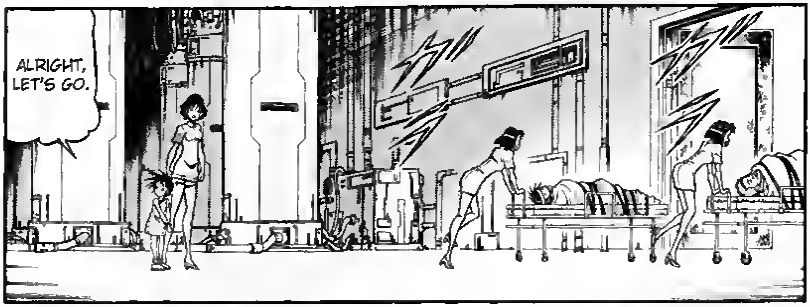



AND DON'T DRAW A SINGLE DROP OF HIS BLOOD!
QUICK !


SHIIT ...
SH...

IT'S A JOKE, RIGHT?
NEVER GOING OUTSIDE..
HAVE YOU CAUGHT THOSE TWO?
FUCHI-JIMA HERE...
I WOULD'VE HAD TO DISPOSED OF YOU ALL!!
SHUT UP! IF BY CHANCE HE MANAGED TO ESCAPE...
PLEASE, TELL ME IT WAS A JOKE..!
I'LL BE A GOOD GIRL FROM NOW ON, SO..
I'M JUST LIKE YOU, MOM...
I'M YUUKO FUCHI-JIMA, SO..
B-B-BECAUSE... I'M A SPECIAL KID, RIGHT..?
B-BUT.. YOU WOULD NEVER DISPOSE OF ME..
YOU'RE TRASH ...
I'M SUR-ROUNDED BY CRAPPY USELESS TRASH...
EVERY SINGLE ONE OF YOU...




ALRIGHT, LET'S GO.

A MERE HUMAN AFTER ALL...
YOU ARE...

WE HAVE TO GO TO THE PUNISHMENT AREA FOR A WHILE..
IT'S HER ORDERS..

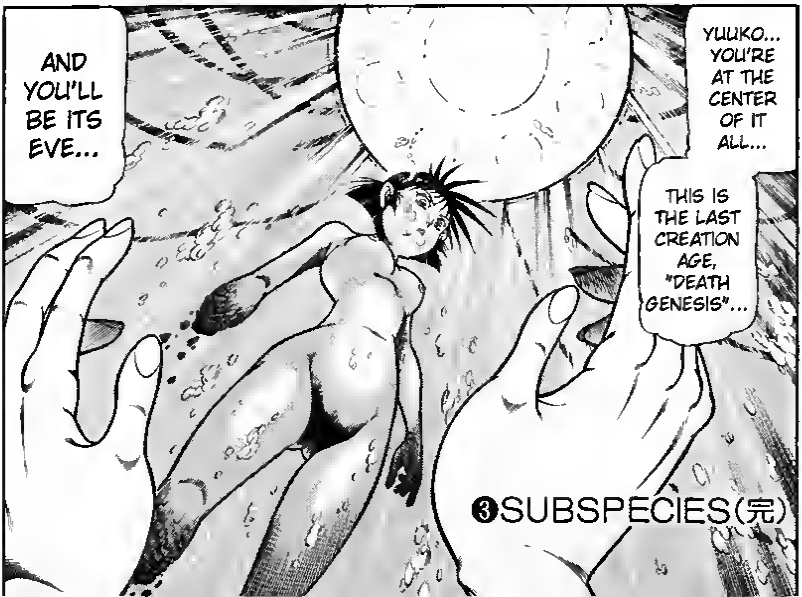
HUH...
ORDERS..

BUILDING THEIR DOOM WITH THEIR OWN HANDS, WALKING TOWARD DESTRUCTION...
ALL MEN HAVE SURPASSED THEIR HAYFLICK LIMIT...

BUT LISTEN, YUUKO! I'VE FINALLY FOUND HOPE!
THE CHAIRUDO BLOOD THAT FLOWS IN HEIJI HINAGATA'S VEINS...
IT WILL SAVE HUMANITY'S FUTURE...
AAAH, YUUKO, I'M SURE OF IT!
YOU ARE THE "CHILD OF THE END" I WAS LOOKING FOR!
I'VE GIVEN BIRTH TO COUNTLESS CHILDREN, TRYING TO MAKE ONE WHO CARRIED THE IDEAL GENOME INSIDE...
IN ADDITION, I READ A REPORT ABOUT SOMEONE'S BLOOD THAT CONTAINING SUCH A WONDERFUL POWER...
NO MATTER WHAT HAPPENS FROM NOW ON, MEN WON'T HAVE TO FEAR THEIR DEMISE NOR ANYTHING ELSE.
YOU SEE, NOW THAT WE HAVE HIS BLOOD AND YOUR SPECIAL GENOME..
YOU WILL BE THE ONLY "CHILD OF THE END", THE ONE HUMAN BEING POSSESSING THE BODY WITH AN ABSOLUTE CHANCE FOR SURVIVAL..
ガロン

MOM ..?!

YES, YES! AND AFTER OBTAINING THE BLOOD FROM A "CHILD OF THE BEGINNING"...
A "CHILD OF THE END" WILL INCREASE THE EVOLUTION RATE OF MEN OF MORE THAN 7 TIMES, GIVING BIRTH TO A RACE OF SUPERIOR BEINGS...
THEN WE'LL LEAVE FOR THE MYSTERIOUS PLANET VULCAN...


YUUKO... YOU'RE AT THE CENTER OF IT ALL...
THIS IS THE LAST CREATION AGE, "DEATH GENESIS"...
AND YOU'LL BE ITS EVE...
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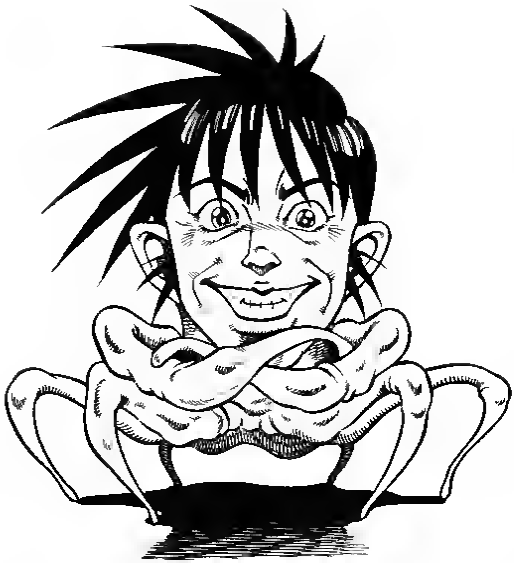


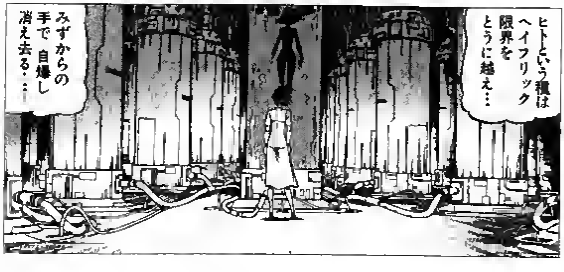
良い子が[小類人]に進化するためのキーワード解説

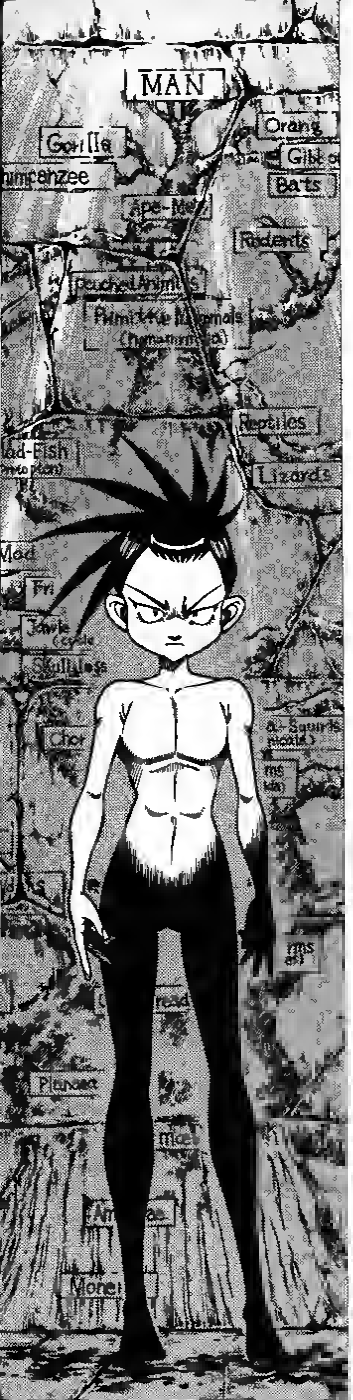
第3巻、いかがでしたか？　いよいよ物語は核心部分に触れだしたってところです。そこで今回は壮大なる【進化】に向けて走りだした『小類人』世界を読み解くためのキーワードを解説してしまおう。

さてこのコミックスを読んでくれたキミは間違いなくヒトだと思う。文字を理解するサルやイヌがいれば、また話は別だが、現在までのところ、このコミックスを読めるのはヒトだけだ。なぜだ？　簡単にいってしまえばヒトはヒトであり、サルやイヌは決してヒトにはなれないからだ。それを決定づけているのが**遺伝子**というものだ。

遺伝というのは分かっていると思う。君の父母がO型だったら君がO型になるように、何だかんだ言っても顔が似ているように、そういった**遺伝情報**を伝えるひとつの単位が**遺伝子**。それは具体的にどんな働きをしているかというと、生物を形づくり特徴づけているタンパク質、その種類や量を決めてるってこと。そのタンパク質製造の設計図の働きを行なっているのが**DNA**（デオキシリボ核酸）という物質であることが分かってる。つまり**遺伝子**の正体は**DNA**（厳密にいうと**遺伝子**は**DNA**の一部）だってこと。

DNAは**二重らせん**を描きながら伸びる長い帯の形をしてる。この**DNA**が集まって作られるのが**染色体**。ってことを頭に入れておいて、さて君はどうやって生まれてきたのかを考えてみよう。最初に君がこの世に発生してきたとき、それは





たったひとつの細胞って奴だ。それが分裂に分裂を繰り返してヒトの体になり、成長し、いまなお分裂を繰り返し生きながらえている（実はこの**細胞分裂**こそが生と死の重要なファクターで、その画期的な研究をしたのが**ヘイフリック**という学者。詳しくは次巻をお楽しみにしてほしい）。そしてこの**細胞分裂**に大きな役割を果たしているのが**染色体**だ。古い細胞が死に新しい細胞が生まれる、この時にまったく違った細胞にならないようにしてるのが**染色体**なのだ。そしてこの**染色体**がグループになったものが**ゲノム**と呼ばれるもの。整理していうと細胞の中に核があり、核のなかに**ゲノム**があり、**ゲノム**に**染色体**が、**染色体**に**DNA**が……というのが生物の構造だ。

さて**遺伝子**については色々と研究が進んで解明されていっているわけだけど、タンパク質合成というのは**遺伝子**のごくごく一部の働きにすぎず、実のところ謎の部分がかなり多い。何のためにあるのかよく分からない**遺伝子**がほとんどなのだ。

未知の**遺伝子**が動きだした時……!!　実はそこに、『小類人』の物語の最大のキーワードが隠されているんだな。

お楽しみは次巻ということで乞御期待です!!

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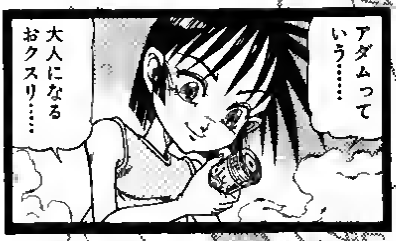

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